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Logging near Indian Pond prompts call for G'wood noise rules

By MICHAEL DANIELS

The pre-dawn "horrific roaring" of heavy logging equipment near Indian Pond has awakened a call for Greenwood to adopt a noise ordinance.

The call comes from residents Henry and Pat Stewart, who made their case to town selectmen last week.

The Stewarts live off the Hobbs Road, on the eastern side of Indian Pond, which is set low in a natural amphitheater about a half mile south of Howe Hill Road.

"We had been aware of logging activity in the distance for some time," the couple said in a prepared statement.

That logging [Citizen, 12-08-11] is taking place on a 588-acre parcel between the pond and the intersection of the Greenwood, Sheepskin Bog and Martin roads.

"The morning that we arrived home after Thanksgiving with our family, we were awakened by the sound of several pieces of heavy equipment, roaring, seemingly in

our front yard. This was accompanied by bright flashing lights. Sometimes they commenced at 4:30. After a day or two, we realized that this was not temporary, and it wasn't just us. Neighbors in all directions, not only around Indian Pond, but as far away as Old County Road complained of the racket."

Town Manager Kim Sparks said other residents of the area had expressed similar concerns.

Pat Stewart said she called the Oxford County Sheriff's Office and was told that unless the town had a noise ordinance, there was nothing the S.O. could do.

She said she also called the owner of the company that owns the land, T.R. Dillon, Co., a large-scale "timber liquidator," who, she said, "basically, as the kids say, 'blew me off.'"

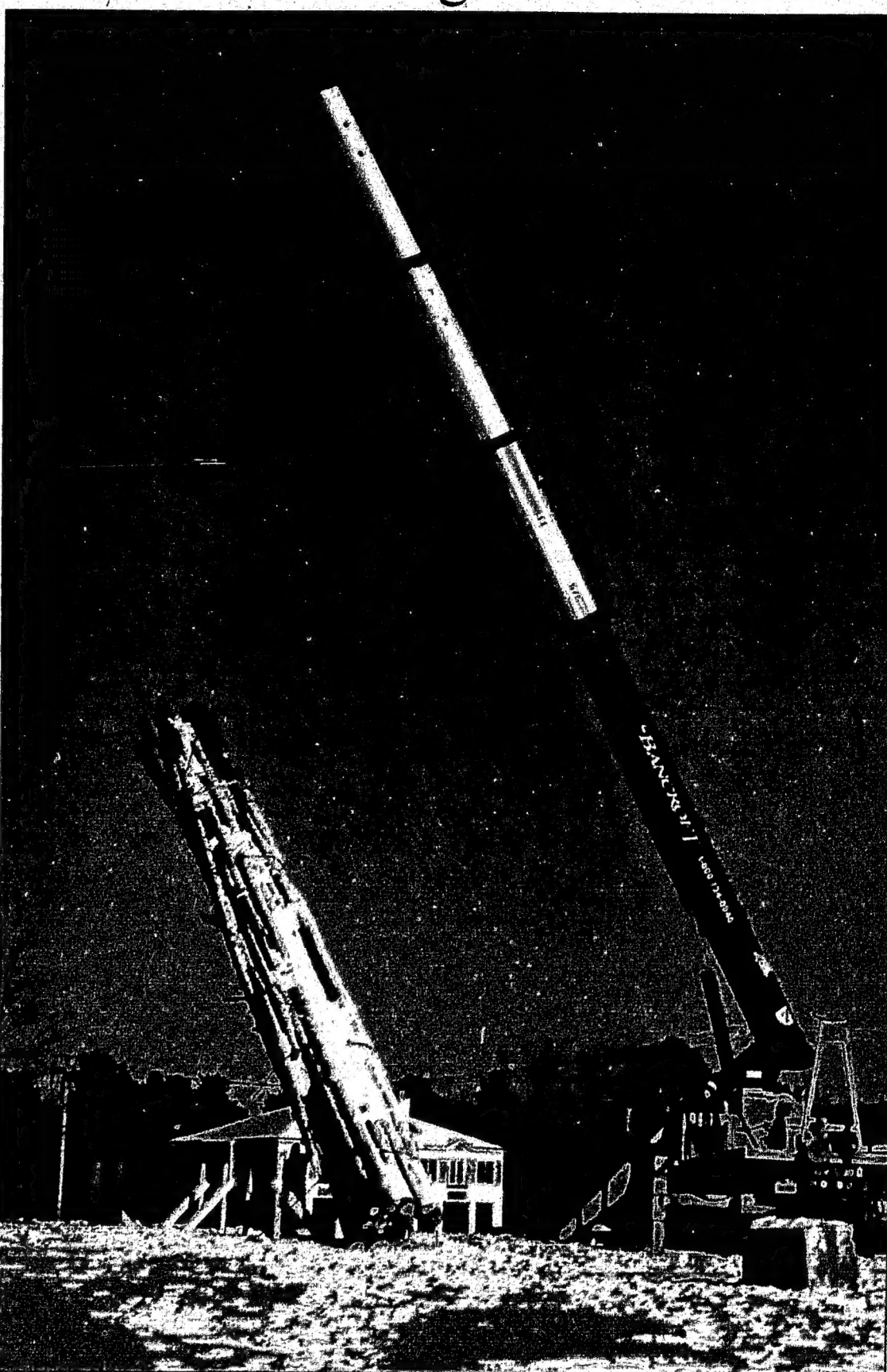
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HENRY AND PAT STEWART

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Volcano/sliding hill core rises



The centerpiece of the snow volcano/sliding hill under construction at "Festival Plaza," near the Casablanca, was placed last week. The bundle of logs was raised by a Bancroft Contracting Corp. crane. When the weather is cold enough, Sunday River snow guns will make snow around the logs, creating the sliding hill. Then, in an event scheduled as part of this year's Bethel WinterFest (Feb. 24 & 25), the logs will be lit on fire, creating a bonfire and a volcano effect. (Photo: A. Aloisio)

Andover Ed-funding committees to hold informational meeting next week

By ALISON ALOISIO

The committees studying the future of education in Andover will present their findings at a public meeting Feb. 2.

The groups have been researching options since last spring, when the town voted to take on \$214,000 more in financial responsibility for the Andover Elementary School for the 2011-2012 school year. The move followed a vote by

the SAD 44 School Board to save that amount of money by closing the building.

After the town vote, Andover moved to the next step: figuring out how to keep the school running after this year.

Committees were formed to study options that included remaining in SAD 44 but trying to negotiate a better financial deal with the district; joining another school district (RSU

10 in Rumford); operating as an independent school, or trying to seek funding as a charter school.

Other committees have also been working to increase the number of after-school activities this year and draw in more volunteer help from the community. Fundraising projects were also organized

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MDOT to shore up W'stock wall

By ALISON ALOISIO

The Maine Department of Transportation will repair a deteriorating retaining wall across from the Woodstock ball fields this summer, selectmen learned last week.

And next year, MDOT plans a paving and limited improvement project for Route 232 from Route 26 to the bridge at Rumford Point.

"MDOT is concerned the

wall might fall into the road," Town Manager Vern Maxfield said after the meeting.

The repair calls for drilling "earth ties" through the wall and into the ledge behind to hold it. The wall would then be coated with a concrete mix, said Maxfield.

The project, scheduled for June, will require one-way traffic for about a week to 10 days. A traffic light will be

placed at the site.

Selectmen also asked MDOT to look at the guardrail across the road from the wall, out of concern that it is in poor condition.

The Route 232 project would include an overlay of pavement, as well as new culverts and ditching in some locations, Maxfield said.

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Newry planners eyeing 'virtual site walks'

By ALISON ALOISIO

For town planners who don't like slogging through mud and snow to review potential development sites, Newry Planning Board Chairman Brooks Morton has a solution: Use GIS mapping technology to take "virtual site walks."

Morton brought a large monitor and his laptop to Monday's selectmen's meeting to show the board the value of GIS technology in planning.

But before his presentation even began, he unexpectedly had an opportunity to use it to aid in a code enforcement discussion.

Selectmen had learned that a contractor recently drove an excavator across town property, knocking down several trees in the process, to get to an adjacent private property. As they tried to understand the layout of the two properties, Morton came to the rescue.

'Morton also demonstrated how the digital maps can be overlaid with other features, such as wetlands.'

He called up an aerial photo on the big screen and zoomed in, helping the board and Code Enforcement Officer Dave Bonney to understand the route taken by the piece of equipment.

Bonney was expected to look into the matter.

Returning to the original purpose of his presentation, Morton said he had talked with developers about the possibility of using the monitor in their application presentations to planners, and received a favorable response.

Currently applicants provide maps for each planner.

"If we had the screen mounted on the wall, the applicant could plug in his computer, rather than all us of looking through our [paper] files to get the same map," said Morton. "It would keep everyone focused, and we'd move through it faster."

The aerial photos could serve the same purpose as site walks, in which planners schedule on-site inspections.

Morton also demonstrated how the digital maps can be overlaid with other features, such as wetlands.

But, he said, hard copy maps would still be required for records, and would be used with

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Letters

ROCKY FREDA PIZZA PARTY

To the Editor:

For the second year the Bethel Rotary is sponsoring the Rocky Freda pizza party at the Matterhorn. The money raised from this event goes to a scholarship fund for local graduating seniors. Last year we were able to give away over \$3,000 to help local students continue their education.

Please join us on Feb. 2 from 6 to 9 p.m. for a good time and a great cause.

Lynn Wilson
For the Bethel Rotary

GREAT FOR US, BAD FOR BIG OIL

To the Editor:

Last week was a great week for us and our democracy, and a very bad week for Big Oil.

Thanks to our unrelenting public pressure, the President was forced to turn down a scheme to send dirty Canadian oil through our country then overseas.

Dozens of you helped to make this happen with phone calls and e-mails that swamped government offices. Thank you! I am especially proud of our young people who put their boots on the ground to swarm the White House.

Let's keep up the good work. Every time you insulate an attic or replace an old window, you slow climate change, push our clean energy economy forward, and take back a little more of our freedom.

Ken Hotopp
Bethel

REMEMBERING LIZ WHITMAN

To the Editor:

Life is so much better because of some of the people we are fortunate to know. Liz Whitman was one of those people.

I was a young child, under five, and she a young teenager when we were neighbors. I have never forgotten how nice she was to me and am thankful that she kept that wonderful trait throughout her life. She was loved by many. She deserves a special place in heaven.

Nancy Willard
Woodstock

NEED TO RETHINK M.S.P. DECISION

To the Editor:

I am deeply disappointed by the Health and Human Services committee's vote to reduce or even eliminate the state's Medicare Savings Program (MSP).

MSP was designed to help the state's most vulnerable citizens: low-income seniors and disabled adults. To consider balancing the budget by cutting these funds is short-sighted and fundamentally wrong.

Seniors in Maine are already struggling just to get by. More than a third of all those on Social Security in our state rely on their benefit for 100 percent of their income.

MSP makes it possible for such low-income adults and those living with disabilities to have access to their doctors. Without MSP, the state also loses vital federal dollars that provide access to affordable prescription drugs for those who are eligible.

We hear that the state wants to protect programs for its neediest citizens. A vote like this does not support that mission.

The citizens of Maine are looking to the governor and to our legislators to come together and work toward solutions that make sense in their efforts to address the healthcare crisis.

Balancing that budget on the backs of those who have nowhere else to turn should not even be an option.

I urge the legislature to rethink their decision about the Medicare Savings Program.

Nancy Kelleher
AARP Maine State Director

FREE SKIING FOR G'WOOD KIDS

To the Editor:

Mt. Abram has graciously offered free skiing to Greenwood school age residents on Sundays starting the first Sunday in February.

The program will include lessons and equipment if needed. You can sign-up at the Greenwood Town Office. Sign-ups are limited and are on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Andrew Wheeler
Greenwood Recreation Board

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Citizen welcomes letters to the editor. When writing, please include your full name, signature, address and telephone number (so that we may verify authorship).

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NOT ENOUGH SNOW YET TO RIDE SAFELY

To the Editor:

It is again that time of year when the brightness of the snow seems to have clouded the minds of some normal-minded individuals.

As we all know, the snowmobile season is late in arrival this year. While there is snow on the ground, there is not enough snow for safe riding. The trails have innumerable hazards under the snow which, in a year with normal snowfall, are not obvious to the riders.

The recent injuries and deaths of snowmobilers are an indication that people are not heeding the warnings and are out riding.

If you insist on riding despite warnings and little snow, please use *Extreme Caution*. We want you alive and well and able to enjoy the snow yet to come.

The weekend of Jan. 27 to Jan. 30, the state of Maine has joined New Hampshire and Vermont in having a tri-state reciprocity for snowmobiling. If you have a valid Maine snowmobile registration on your machine, you can ride in New Hampshire and Vermont without having to buy the other states' annual registration. This is occurring on a trial basis for three years, and I hope that you will all take advantage of it and ride safely. Remember, it is only valid the weekend of Jan. 27 to Jan. 30.

Edie Okenquist, Secretary, Greenstock Snowsports Snowmobile Club

BE SOMEONE ELSE FOR A FUN EVENING

To the Editor:

Not long ago, I thought about the need to do something other than live to work. This is a difficult thing for someone who is self-employed. I decided that it was time to start doing something that would get me out of the dust, spare my back, and improve my overall health. I wanted to do something that would be personally rewarding and, if possible, of benefit to others as well.

The idea of the Bethel Performing Arts Project was hatched with some like-thinking folks and we started doing stuff around town.

The idea was simple: do performing arts things, theater, music, etc., that would help promote our town's businesses and hardworking nonprofit organizations. The Project has no boss, no real structure. It's a concept born of a basic need: to entertain, be entertained, have some fun, and make a little money for all involved.

This idea of promoting commerce with art is not a new thing, just kind of new to Bethel. I hope, with our continued efforts, the business and nonprofit communities will see some value in this concept and perhaps come up with their own ideas on how to use the talent pool in our small town to help draw attention to their stores, their products, and services.

One of the projects we're working on now is a dinner theater production with The Bethel Inn, tentatively scheduled for May, Mother's Day weekend.

We need actors and production help to really make this comic mystery a memorable night out. I hope you'll join me and push aside the paperwork, hang up the hammer (and the cell phone), and be someone else for an evening. For more information, please call 824-6545 or 824-0080.

Ross Timberlake, Bethel

SHOOT-A-THON SATURDAY, FEB. 4

To the Editor:

My name is Sean Caddigan. I am the current Telstar High School JV basketball coach and former Telstar player. In an effort to give back to the community where we live, a Shoot-A-Thon fundraiser has been created, with half the money raised going to the Bethel Food Pantry, and the other half to Telstar High School Basketball.

The Shoot-A-Thon will allow all players, families, friends, and businesses to participate. Monetary donations of any size and help spreading the word to others is appreciated. The easiest way to donate for people who are not closely affiliated with members of the basketball team, is to go online to Fundraise.com and search "Telstar."

If you would like to watch the Shoot-A-Thon, come to the Telstar gymnasium Saturday, Feb. 4, 10 a.m. Anyone is welcome to come watch players shoot their 100 free-throws.

I'd personally like to thank anyone who donates and asks others to donate. Also, I encourage you to come watch the remaining Rebels home games. A schedule of the games can be found on the sad44.org website.

If you have any questions, you can contact me by phone (860) 992-5275 or e-mail Caddigan01@yahoo.com

Sean Caddigan, Basketball Coach

THANKS FROM KIDSTRAVELHAPPY

To the Editor:

I would like to thank all those who have shopped at my storefront over the past three years, as it is greatly appreciated. Many of you have realized the uniqueness of the shop. Unfortunately, your patronage was not enough to make it an economical choice to keep the shop open. Fortunately, the majority of my sales have been online (www.KidsTravelHappy.com).

As I close up (Saturday, Jan. 28 is the last day to enjoy 30 percent off any purchase!), I think I speak for most local businesses when I say "Please support them."

I don't know how many times I heard from customers "It's so great you are here. My child has a birthday party in 20 minutes and I don't have time to drive to Wal-Mart." Well, that's great I think to myself, and I did appreciate the business but in order for small local businesses to survive (and remain convenient to townspeople) you need to support them all the time, not just in a time of your emergency. Many people seem to enjoy the convenience of last-minute-local-shopping, but shopping locally should be a priority.

Venture out when you can't find something locally (don't just assume you can't). The more of your money in the local economy, the more local businesses can afford to exist and possibly thrive here. You'll save on gas and time too.

Remember: "Local, independent businesses assist the community through a 'multiplier effect': one dollar spent at a locally-owned business will return five times that amount within the community through city taxes, employees' wages, and purchase of materials and supplies at other independent businesses." (www.corvalisiba.org)

It's too late for KidsTravelHappy, LLC but not too late for other Bethel area small independent businesses.

Tracyn Thayer, KidsTravelHappy owner

'Celladore'

From the 1954-1964 Journals of Beckie Bailey, Installment 55

The First Years: Do You See Many Wild Animals, Many Birds?

One day B.B. announced that he could no longer put off mowing the field; the weeds were high and ready to go to seed.

"But there are still blueberries," I protested.

"Haven't you had enough?"

"Who had been eating a quart of them with cream at least three times a day that who has picked?" But I did not want the weeds to seed into the vegetable garden and milkweed is most difficult to eradicate so I retreated. "Just let me go and get the biggest ones while you mow."

I grabbed them off avidly. Every time I saw B.B. going by with the mower, he seemed to be trying to signal to me. He was getting nearer and nearer, the minutes to pick were getting fewer and fewer.

I decided that if he had any important message he would get off the machine and yell at me. I picked on until he got to the center of the field, then hopped to safety onto the new-mown grass, sat enjoying the sunlight, fragrance of blue vetch, daisies, ferns, the tidy-looking field. After B.B. finished he came up laughing.

I held up my pail, saying, "Look at all I got."

"You weren't the only one. I tried to get your attention but couldn't. Mr. Fox was right there eating too"

"Why didn't you stop the machine and tell me?" I was grieved not to have seen him.

B.B. laughed again. "Call you and scare away the fox? Next time pay attention when the master tries to signal to you."

I would; right now I would go and make the last berries into jam for next winter. Then I decided not to; applesauce would do as well. Not often would one sit on a cool porch in the shadow of the purple mountains against a summer sky and feast on sun-warmed fresh blueberries with the bloom still on them. So we ate them, while the chipmunk raced back and forth storing his winter food and ignoring us.

He lived under the porch in winter, probably had a family but we never saw but one at a time. His provender route was through the woodshed and barn, down the stone lane and up to the ledges for acorns. If we met in the shed, he darted under the old red cupboard and scolded us for entering his domain. If we were sitting in the barn talking over a ride, he paused a moment, then calmly walked over our feet. He always skirted the edge of a wall, never went out in the open.

Hollyhock seeds were a favorite food for him. He would climb the eight-foot-tall stalks, swing in the breeze, then down with his cheeks bulging. We could predict warm weather after winter by the time he emerged from his nest. Once, after a particularly snowy winter, he made a mistake. Looking out one dreary morning we saw him sitting bedraggled on the stone steps, shivering and sad. We put out horse feed for him; he took the corn and oats and left the molasses bits.

Twice since we've lived here, suddenly there is no chipmunk about. This is a danger signal; soon red squirrels will be all over the place. They are not cute pets but just plain predators. They run in the house walls, chew and destroy everything, eat barn swallow's eggs. They have to go, and B.B. puts in a few miserable days tracking them down. They seem to know just the places to sit where it is not safe to shoot, a perch there defying you, usually in packs of ten to fifteen. All were dispatched but one, whom we never saw except when he was sitting on the steps of the garden house under the barn. B.B. preferred not to shoot in under there but finally, in desperation, I said, "Go ahead." It was the end of the pests, but the shot scattered and ruined the easily replaceable items but instead my three-gallon watering can. Child of the depression though I was, for once I did not bemoan the loss but wangled it gleefully into the trash pile, knowing the squirrels could taunt us no more; soon the chipmunks would come back.

Continues Next Week

Our Back Pages

Compiled by Danna Brown Nickerson

10 years ago: A one-mile stretch of the Androscoggin River, between the Route 108 bridge in Rumford and the Veterans Memorial Bridge in Mexico was open to trout and salmon fishing.

Kelly Crockett began duties as deputy town clerk for Hallow.

Allan Brown and Amy Ford were chosen to represent Telstar High School at the District II Music Festival.

Birth: Katherine Faith Haley.

Deaths: Arlene M. Johnson. **20 years ago:** The former Edelweiss building at the corner of Main and Church streets was purchased by Dick Keenan, owner of Keenan Auction Company of Kingfield.

A host of radio and TV personalities turned out for the Airways Celebrity Ski Off at Mt. Abram.

Deaths: Norma F. Larson, Madeline G. Irish.

30 years ago: Kimball Ames was presented a cake, in honor of his 91st birthday, by the staff at the Bethel Savings Bank. He was an official of the bank for many years.

The skating rink at Crescent Park School had been flooded and was ready for skaters.

Winners in the Pinewood Derby of Cub Scout Pack 555 were Aaron Bean, Aaron Conant, Billy Boyle and Timmy Chapman.

Birth: Lindsay Ann Fourrier.

Deaths: Doris Hutchings, Charlie W. Gorman, Mrs. Bessie Lois Carl.

40 years ago: Susan Davis was named Telstar High's Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow for 1972.

Power was out in numerous locations in the area as the result of damage caused by high winds.

Births: Cynthia Marie Anderson, Stephanie Marie Crockett, Kristie Sue Day, Mary-Beth Hannon.

Death: Mrs. Geneva M. Springer.

50 years ago: Over 125 entrants were listed for the USEASA sanctioned Sunday River Junior Giant Slalom. All New England states were represented.

Freddie Haines' foot was badly crushed by a tree that kicked back after it was cut.

Birth: Edward Allen Eddredge.

Death: Mrs. Agnes Walker. **60 years ago:** Fifth-grade students and their teacher, Mrs. Frances Gunther, visited the Citizen office. They saw the first four pages of the paper printed and other pages being made up, and watched the Linotype operate.

Pfc. Guy Swan arrived home after serving three years in Japan and Korea.

Mrs. Richard Carter and Mrs. Norman Dock entertained at a whist party for the benefit of the Ways and Means Club, OES.

Deaths: Carl F. Upton, King Bartlett.

70 years ago: Men's First Aid class was organized. Class included all men registered for first aid, Air Raid Warden, Police, Disaster, and Fire Department.

Complying with the government's request to conserve rubber, Bryant's Market and the Red & White were making only forenoon deliveries.

80 years ago: Perley Andrews purchased the Frank Taylor house on the Song Pond road. Extensive repairs were being made. Herbert Swan was doing the work.

Deaths: Judge Addison E. Herrick, Capt. Mellen W. Sampson.

90 years ago: William Hall (Bill Hall) was appointed deputy sheriff in Jackman.

F. J. Tyler was on a business trip to Louisville, Ky.

Mrs. R. R. Tibbets was captain of the Pine Cone Troop of Bethel Girl Scouts.

100 years ago: The Gilman P. Bean farm on the Bethel-West Bethel road was offered for sale.

Prof. W. R. Chapman purchased the Charles Ryerson property in Mayville.

110 years ago: Painters were making the Bethel Savings Bank spic and span.

Prof. William R. Chapman sold a flock of 300 sheep to H. S. Hastings.

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Letters

BEWARE THE G.O.P. REPTILE

To the Editor:

To more graphically comprehend the turmoil that is taking place, politically and economically in this country today it might help to consider this analogy.

Picture the Republican Party as being the caregiver and custodian of a gigantic glutinous serpent. In this particular case, the serpent is actually in control of its caregiver.

The head and controlling feature of this serpent is all the oppressive and self-serving corporate entities that are striving to devour whatever it takes to satisfy its ravenous appetite.

Next down the vertebrae of this voracious reptile is the top monetary one percent, the prime beneficiaries of this snake's intended oppressive endeavors.

The next vertebrae is the Republican Party, the portion of the snake that strives to render the remaining portions of this reptilian monstrosity, dominated by and subservient to the upper portions. Down at the tip of the tail is that which once was a vibrant and productive working class, the goose that for decades had been laying the golden eggs of a prosperity that should have been and still should be made proportionally available to the collective citizenry of this nation.

This is in the offing the potential for an economic catastrophe, that would make the present day economic woes seem like the best of times. This economic calamity is already in the process of evolving.

This is due to the fact that the head of this serpent is so dumb, that it has circled around and not recognizing that it is a vital portion of itself, has devoured the golden egg, the goose that laid it and is now nibbling away at the middle class.

If allowed to prevail to its ultimate conclusion the only thing that will be left of this self-consuming serpent will be a non-functioning corporate structure, a destitute top one percent, and the shredded remains of that which once was a well-intentioned and regarded political party.

I am not sure that such is possible, but the only way I see left to avert a complete economic collapse in this nation, is for Democratic entities to devise a way to perform the Heimlich maneuver on a hostile and wreathing serpent, get it to cough up the golden egg, the goose that laid it, and restore the working and middle class to its former productive status.

Don Chase
Bethel

G.O.P. COMMITTEES TO CAUCUS

To the Editor:

The following Republicans announce that they will hold Biennial Municipal Caucuses as follows:

Saturday, February 4, 2012 at 10 a.m. at Crescent Park School in Bethel:

Albany - Joe Lyons

Bethel - Dennis Doyon

Sunday, February 5, 2012 at 1 p.m. at the First Congregational Church in Andover:

Andover - Paula Smith

Hanover - Paul Ramsey

Roxbury - Dennis Daniel

The purpose of the caucus is to reconstitute the Town Committee(s), nominate Municipal Delegates to the County Committee, elect Delegates and Alternates to the State Convention, organize for the 2012 elections, and conduct the 2012 Presidential Survey. All Republicans in the aforementioned towns are encouraged to attend and participate in the caucus. Additionally, Republican legislators, county office holders, and candidates may be on hand to address the assembly.

The 2012 Republican State Convention will be held on Saturday and Sunday, May 5th and 6th at the Augusta Civic Center in Augusta.

For additional information about the caucuses, contact Loretta Mikols at republican@earthlink.net or 875-2229; or Paula Smith at paulapps@oxfordnetworks.net, 392-1921.

Loretta Mikols
Greenwood

Briefly

Codes meeting for contractors

WOODSTOCK—There will be two contractor question/answer meetings with the Town code enforcement officer (building official) about the new Maine Uniform Building Codes, Energy Code and Radon Code at two different locations and dates. Woodstock and Greenwood voters will be asked to vote on this matter at the spring Town Meetings. Woodstock Town Office Monday, Feb. 6 at 5:30-7 p.m. and Norway Town Office Wednesday Feb. 22 at 5:30-7 p.m. All residents are encouraged to attend. FMI e-mail cejoelle@hotmail.com.

'Ski to the Clouds' Feb. 26

PINKHAM NOTCH, NH—The Ski to the Clouds race is returning to the snow covered Mt. Washington Auto Road for the 16th year on Feb. 26, 2012. This challenging event, thought by many to be North America's toughest 10k race, takes place on the Northeast's highest peak and includes a climb of more than 2200 vertical feet over the final 6K of the course. The Ski to the Clouds is presented by Maxiglide and is limited to a field of only 150 skiers. Some competitors are there to attempt to make or break a record, while others consider it an opportunity to personally test their abilities in this mountain environment. In either case, participants will find themselves skiing in a winter wonderland, while taking in the most spectacular views imaginable of the Presidential range and beyond. There will be a mass start at 10 a.m. on race day. Online registration closes on Feb. 24 at 12 p.m.. Any available slots left after that will be offered on Feb. 25. There will be no day of race registration. An early registration discounted price of \$35 will be offered through Feb. 20, followed by a rate of \$45 until Feb. 25th or until the race is sold out. A \$1400 prize purse is being offered by the presenting sponsor, Maxiglide. The prizes will be allotted as follows: Men: First place \$250; second place \$150; third place \$100. Women: First place \$250; second place \$150; third place \$100. Top Male over 40: \$200. Top Female over 40: \$200. Volunteer registration is also now open for those who would like to be a part of this uniquely exciting event without making the 10k climb! All volunteers will be given lunch on event day and day passes for Great Glen Trails. "Our Ski to the Clouds race is another great example of the kind of uniquely compelling events that have always been and continue to be a part of life on Mt. Washington. Each event, whether a footrace, bike race, car race, or even on skis or snowshoes brings out those who are passionate about their sport...and for reasons both obvious and subtle, Mt. Washington continues to be the place those passionate competitors come to make their mark, even if it's just for the experience of being here," observed Howie Wemyss, General Manager of the Mt. Washington Auto Road and Great Glen Trails Outdoor Center. For more information or to register as either a racer or volunteer, please call the Mt. Washington Auto Road or Great Glen Trails at 603-466-3988 or online at www.skitotheclouds.com.

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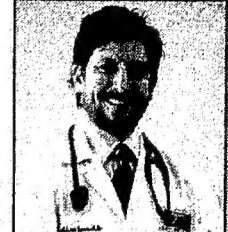
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Noise

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the lights flashing in our windows. It continued until 3:30 or 4 in the afternoon, when they knocked off and went home.

"Recently they moved off a bit, but they are right in front of the homes of others, waking them and their animals each day."

"It seems unlikely that we can prevent the stripping of the forests of our town, but we can insist that they not, day in and day out, ruin the quality of life of citizens who live nearby."

"For this reason we would propose the town adopt a noise ordinance that would at least give us the right to a de-

cent night's sleep."

The Stewarts also noted that many Maine towns have such ordinances, which range from the detailed and exacting to the broad and non-specific, with most stipulating quiet between 9 p.m. and 7 a.m.

They also provided the board with three sample ordinances, from York, Ogunquit and Winslow, and asked the selectmen to begin the process to have one drawn up for Greenwood, to be voted on by residents at this year's annual town meeting.

The selectmen agreed, but Selectman Amy Chapman cautioned the Stewarts to expect "some pushback" from

people who work in the woods.

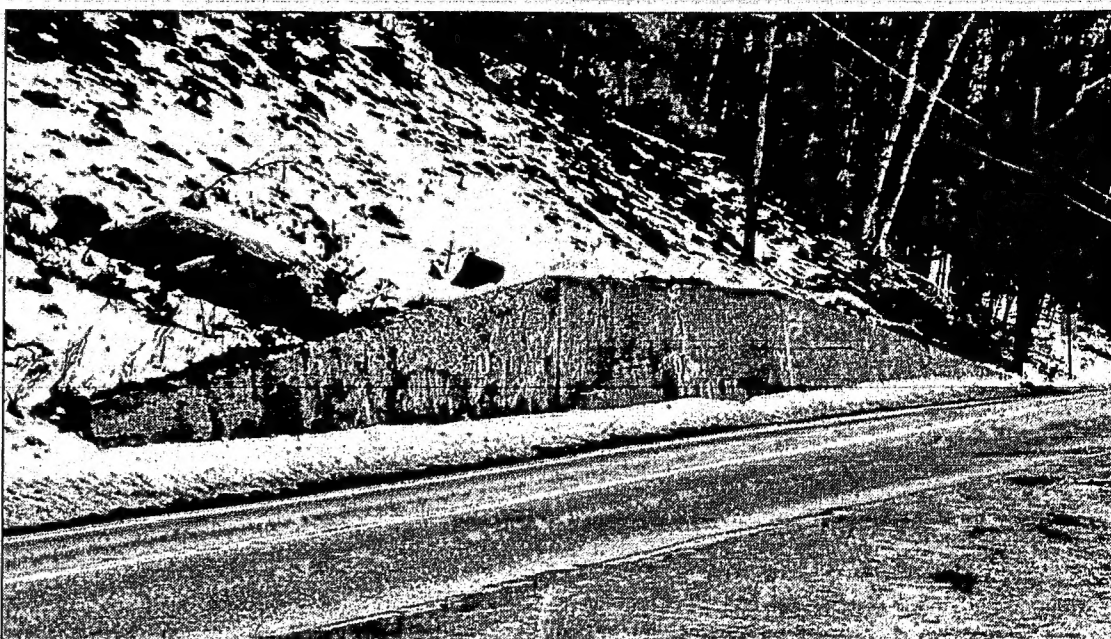
And Board Chair Fred Henderson said it was "kind of a hard thing" to restrict someone who is working, "but there's two sides to it."

Sparks said later she expects an ordinance to be drafted in time for an informational meeting to be held in early April, as required if the ordinance is to go to voters at the May 19 town meeting.

Nearby Woodstock is also expected to take up a noise ordinance at its annual town meeting, but in that case the focus will be on noise, primarily from large trucks, in Bryant Pond Village, rather than in the woods.

MDOT

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IN NEED OF REPAIR—A retaining wall on Route 26 in Woodstock, just south of the ball fields. MDOT plans a project to strengthen it this summer.

(Photo: A. Alasio)

MDOT will hold a public hearing before beginning the work.

In other business, the board took a preliminary look at 2012 municipal budget figures prepared by Maxfield and learned of an informational meeting about the state's new

building code.

The meeting, offered for area contractors, will take place Feb. 6 at 5 p.m. at the Woodstock town office.

The early budget proposal appears overall to be good news for taxpayers.

Maxfield's preliminary fig-

ures show a slight decline in the budget, but an increase in the amount to be raised from taxes (due to lesser amounts from revenue funds).

But thanks in part to added valuation from the Spruce Mountain LLC wind project, the mill rate could decline.

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list to close. There is a process that needs to be followed and the local Portland Division will be reviewing the data for the East Andover Post Office. From that data, we'll be able to move forward with their recommendations. In no way do we want to abandon the small town Maine post office."

The USPS envisions Village Post Offices throughout the country and in this case, rural Maine, to help enhance the

availability of services, products and ease of use. These Village Post Offices would be designated inside an existing store front, according to Rizzo.

"We see the Village Post Office as the future and it's a win, win, win scenario," stated Rizzo.

"Our customers will have increased hours of access to most products and services, local retailers will see in-

creased foot traffic and the postal service will be able to take out that overhead which accurately reflects today's community shopping habits."

The USPS saw a loss of \$8 billion last year. Rizzo noted, "We simply have to find a smarter and better way to fulfill customers' needs."

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applicants who do not have the technology.

Morton and the selectmen agreed there was also potential for the equipment and technology to be used by town officials, including the Fire Department, for other uses, such as online training.

The board decided to buy the equipment, and decided on a desktop computer.

Energy savings
In other business, selectmen discussed steps to take to improve energy efficiency for the town.

Town Administrator Loretta Powers said the town could save money on its electrical

bills by enrolling online at Electricity Maine. The company's website says it can sell electricity supplies directly to residential and small business customers at rates below the standard charged by Central Maine Power Co. The board decided to sign up.

The board also discussed an Efficiency Maine evaluation of the 50-year-old town office building.

Bonney listed a number of recommendations, including replacing the furnace and adding insulation.

The furnace, original to the building, had an expected life of 25 to 30 years. "We're living

on borrowed time with the furnace," said Chairman Jim Largess. "My thinking is we start with the furnace."

Bonney said the furnace was a priority recommendation from Efficiency Maine.

The board asked Bonney to get estimates for the furnace and duct work insulation.

Implementing all the recommendations would cost about \$30,000, he said.

Selectmen also began a preliminary discussion of the 2012 municipal budget, which they will continue at a special meeting Jan. 31 at 5 p.m. at the town office.

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to help relieve the tax burden for this year's costs.

Selectman Susan Merrow said recently that since last spring a few families who had moved away had returned to town, and a few new families moved to Andover, because the school

has remained open and has an active support organization.

If SAD 44 proposes to keep the school closed for next year, the same closure-vote steps must be taken by all parties.

The School Board could

start preliminary discussions about that process as part of its regular budget-building, which is expected to begin soon, according to Supt. Dave Murphy.

The Feb. 2 meeting in Andover is at 7 p.m.; at the Town Hall.

NEWS AND PHOTOS FROM CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

The Citizen welcomes submissions of news items and photographs from local clubs and organizations.

The deadline for clubs and organizational items is noon Monday, but earlier submission is appreciated.

All news articles should be typed or printed legibly, and include the name and daytime telephone number of a contact person.

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News and photos can also be submitted by e-mail: news@bethelcitizen.com.

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The Way I See It

by Sharon Bouchard

I am suffering from a severe case of the "out ofs." I haven't gone through this for quite a while, but it's not a new affliction either.

I am most often afflicted with the "out ofs" a few weeks after Christmas, which, of course, is when I have the biggest "out of" of all and that is money.

The other day I decided I would do some baking. All of the holiday candies and goodies are long gone and I thought it was time to have something sweet in the house again.

That's when I encountered my first "out of" of the day. I was out of sugar. Had I been an organized cook I would have assembled the ingredients before I started mixing, but no one has ever accused me of being organized. Adding the sugar was the fourth step in the recipe and that's when I discovered that I was "out of" it.

They say honey is a good substitute for sugar, but I can tell you that it isn't true in all cases.

As I was dumping the mixture into the trash my husband yelled from the bathroom, "We're out of toilet paper."

I was sure I had a backup roll, but as fate would have it, I did not. I did have a handful of Kleenex, a few paper towels and a lot of newspapers. He settled for the paper towels.

When I went to get the paper towels I noticed that the salt shaker was empty. You guessed it...I was "out of" salt too.

I felt we could live without salt for the supper meal, which turned out to be no problem at all because when I started to cook supper I found that I was "out of" gas. That explained that odd smells that'd been around the last few days.

"Out Ofs"

The good news is that I had ham and cheese in the refrigerator. The bad news is that I was "out of" bread in the breadbox.

I rarely run out of bread, but I have a teenage grandson who has been staying with me for a few days and that kid can go through a loaf of bread like a swarm of locusts in a cornfield. His presence also explained why, as I soon discovered, we were "out of" milk.

At this point I was developing quite a headache and I don't think I even have to tell you that I was "out of" pain reliever. Not an aspirin, Tylenol or Aleve in sight.

With no choice but to go to the store I headed for the car fully expecting that it would be "out of" gas. Fortunately, it wasn't "out of" gas.

Unfortunately, the battery was "out of" juice and it wouldn't start and I was "out of" patience.

I sat down on the front steps not sure if I should laugh or cry. As I sat there shivering in the cold, and it was darn cold, I looked at our Christmas tree leaning against the fence waiting to go to Christmas tree heaven.

It was a beautiful tree and it hit me that such a short time ago it was beautifully decorated and standing in my living room. Only a few weeks ago the entire family, happy and healthy, were gathered around it opening a vast quantity of presents. We were "out of" absolutely nothing.

I went back in the house where the lights and television were on because we were not "out of" power. It was comfortably warm because we were not "out of" oil.

I prepared Ham and Cheese Rolls ala Bouchard (ham wrapped around slices of cheese) and poured glasses of sparkling Paris Reservoir Water. I hugged my husband and grandson and we laughed about the "out of" events of the day.

The way I see it when you have a severe case of the "out ofs" it's a pretty good time to stop thinking about what you don't have and appreciate the abundance of what you do.

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Bethel

By NANCY BROWN



Snowshoe conditions were perfect this past weekend, with several inches of light powder over packed snow. The forecast calls for rain this week, but as long as there is a good snow base, there are some excellent local snowshoe trails. My favorite snowshoe location is Maggie's Nature Park, which has a system of easy to moderate trails, with views of local ponds and mountains. The park is in Greenwood on the Greenwood Road, 1.4 miles from Howe Hill Road. Mt. Will, on Route 2 in Beth-

el across from the transfer station, has a short, but sometimes steep hiking trail. The Bethel Recreational Pathway begins near Big Adventure in Mayville, and travels along the Androscoggin River to Sunset Road near Route 26. You can get trail maps for these and dozens of other local hiking/snowshoe trails at the Bethel Chamber of Commerce at 8 Station Place, near the Casablanca Cinema.

Sunday, Jan. 29, is Community Ski Days for SAD 44 residents at Sunday River Ski Resort and the Sunday River Outdoor Center. This means you can ski and snowshoe and rent equipment for free. Also, you can participate for free in the Adult Learn to Ski/Ride Clinics (age 15 and older). Pre-registration is required for the

clinic. There is also a discount on food. Visit the resort's website www.sundayriver.com or call (800) 543-2SKI. For more information on snowshoeing and cross-country skiing call the Outdoor Center at 824-5700.

Gasoline prices continue to rise in Maine. On Jan. 22, the average cost of a gallon of regular unleaded gas in Maine was \$3.52 a gallon, an increase of twenty cents from a month ago. The national average was \$3.35. The lowest gas price in Maine was \$3.35 in Athens; the highest was \$3.73 in Madawaska. Prices in Bethel hovered around \$3.49. Last year at this time, the price of gas was \$3.19.

Don't forget that the Rotary Club of Bethel will hold its 2nd Annual All-You-Can-Eat Pizza Night at the Matterhorn Inn on Thursday, Feb. 2, from 6 to 9 p.m. The Matterhorn is located on the Sunday River Road in Newry. Tickets are \$15 per person and can be purchased in advance from any Rotary Club member or at the door. Proceeds from the event benefit the Rotary's scholarship fund to be given in honor of Rocky Freda.

If you have news you'd like to share, please send it to nancybrown1150@yahoo.com or call me at 824-2483.

the Trivia; In 1903 the R.F.D. man was James S. Hutchins and his salary was raised from \$600 to \$750 per year. It sure doesn't sound like a lot considering how much tougher it must have been back then to be a postal carrier.

I have a new Trivia question for you all to ponder: Deacon Joseph Holt made a bet with his neighbor, who was a mason. What was it about and who won the bet? Please call me at 824-3220 or e-mail han@megalink.net.

Have a great week.

Gilead

By LIN CHAPMAN



The weather can't seem to make up its mind. First, it finally snows and then comes a little more snow and some sleet and freezing rain. This week has everything from the sleet and freezing rain to just plain rain that might be heavy at times.

My brother, Steve McLain, was discussing the Facebook page for the Gilead Historical Society with me when he was at the house Saturday. We have been having a discussion on the page about the new intersection of Route 113 and Route 2.

Some of the members of the GHS who live in other parts of the country remember how Gilead looked when they were here. Some have not been back home for awhile and have not seen the new Route 2. I posted some pictures on the page and some on the Blog. www.gileadhistoricalsociety.blogspot.com

Lise McLain went to Ledgewick this past week to visit with her father, Gerard Dupont.

The birds at the feeders are getting a little more interesting. Mr. and Mrs. Cardinal arrived last Saturday morning. This is the first time that I have seen her this year. Mr. Cardinal has been around and Mary Tyler reported that she has seen a couple of them.

Our granddaughter, Sidney Chapman, was at the house last Saturday and spent the night. On Sunday morning we loaded up the car and headed to Berlin. She had to be at the Notre Dame Arena at 8 a.m. for hockey practice. Even though it was cold, we stayed to see her practice. After practice, it was hot cocoa, coffee and donuts for everyone and then home to get warmed up.

The end of January is a busy time for birthdays in our family. Two of my nephews, Stephen McLain, III and Joe McLain have birthdays on Jan. 27 and Jan. 31. Our grandson, Ben Chapman, has a birthday on Jan. 29. Ben will be 20 years old. Happy Birthday to all of them.

Our son, Chris Chapman, called from St. Cloud, Minn. last Sunday and updated us on what is happening out there. He said that they only had about an inch of snow.

I was talking with my neighbor, Linda Taylor, the other day and we were discussing Yard Sales. I can't wait! Only about four more months.

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or e-mail chapmal@hotmail.com

Albany

By CATHY BENNETT



Greetings from a very cold Albany. Not much news this week as I haven't heard from anyone.

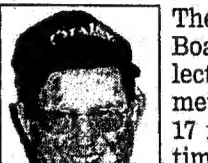
It has been a very routine week here at KD Acres. I spent a couple nights with Doug, Jen and Bella as Doug and Jen were busy with after-school meetings so I took care of Bella. Home now trying to keep the pipes from freezing.

Have spent the last several hours watching a grand football game, as I watched the Patriots make their way into the Super Bowl in a very exciting game. Now it is half time as the Giants and the Forty Niners are battling their way in the NFL play-off to see who plays the Patriots on Feb. 5 in the Super Bowl.

Have a great week everyone, and if you want to read news please contact me.

Hanover

By CLEM WORCESTER



The Hanover Board of Select Persons met on Jan. 17 for the first time in 2012. The sparsely attended meeting included two Select Persons and the Town Clerk. The Board discussed possible appointments to the Hanover Planning Board and several other positions. It was voted to do some repairs to the restroom in the Town Office.

Several property tax issues were resolved. An informa-

tional meeting in February in Woodstock relating to the Uniform Maine Building Code was discussed. It was said that eventually Hanover has to adopt some of the laws that is already in effect in larger communities.

Gardner Roberts Memorial Library announced that librarian volunteers for December and January have been Peggy Salsbury, Dot Adams and Wilma Rector. A grant GRML had applied for with Fiskar was not approved. The grant was one of 300 applications and was intended to help the garden program. Grant seeking will continue with other programs.

GRML now maintains subscriptions to magazines thanks to some of the generous library workers. They include Food and Family Magazine; Fons and Porter Quilting; Better Homes and Garden Quilting Magazine; Smithsonian, Down East and Consumer Reports. A list of overdue books has been created. Visit the library to see if you are on the list. The GRML Fall Festival is scheduled for Oct. 6, 2012.

Snow, sleet and freezing rain alternating with extreme cold weather dominated the past week. About six inches of new snow came during the period, which resulted in several cars flying off Route 2 into the bushes. We have heard of reports of -24 degrees last Sunday morning.

Also, an early Sunday power outage shut off electricity to most of Hanover and parts of Rumford. Central Maine Power Company reported there was a wire down. The electricity was restored by 4:30 a.m.

The staff at the Hanover Town Office would hate for you to get an extra \$25 fee to license your dog. That fee plus later court expenses are exactly what can happen if you fail to license your dog before Jan. 31.

There have been several reports of dead deer along Route 2.

Recent overnight guests with Donna and Clem Worcester were Brian and Sara Worcester along with Kaylynn, Shawnee and Makala Worcester.

Joining the group to help celebrate Kaylynn Worcester's 11th birthday on Sunday were David Worcester, Gail Worcester and Butch and Vicki Clark.

OCSD Bethel Patrol Log

Wednesday, Jan. 18

At 1:23 a.m. on the North Road Deputy Dennis Ryder arrested Ryan M. Plymire, 23, of Bethel for operating after suspension, and on an active warrant from Rumford for aggravated misstatement of fact, Class D.

At 7:40 a.m. Sgt. Tim Holland responded to the West Bethel Road for a vehicle over the embankment. No injuries.

At 9:22 a.m. a caller on the Mayville Road reported being harassed. Deputy Mike Halacy was assigned.

Thursday, Jan. 19

At 3:50 p.m. a caller reported a vehicle traveling very fast on the Songo Pond Road. Deputy Sullivan Rizzo was assigned.

Friday, Jan. 20

At 4:16 p.m. Cpl. Brian Landis responded to the Intervale Road for a report of a vehicle off the road. The vehicle was parked on private land, and there was no accident.

At 6:36 p.m. Deputy Matt Baker responded to the Mayville Road for a report of a gas driveoff.

At 9:02 p.m. an out-of-state caller reported someone might be in his property. Deputy Dave Hodgson checked the property and it was secure.

Saturday, Jan. 21

At 8:59 a.m. Cpl. Justin Brown responded to Route 26 for a vehicle off the road. No damage or injuries.

At 12:16 p.m. a business advised a customer had gone off the road on the Songo Pond Road. Cpl. Justin Brown was assigned.

At 7:43 p.m. Deputy Bruce Korhonen responded to the Mountain Valley Road for a report of a chimney fire that had spread to the roof, with flames showing. (The Fire Department responded and brought the blaze under control, with minimal damage resulting, according to Fire Chief Mike Jodrey).

Sunday, Jan. 22

At 2:09 p.m. Cpl. Justin Brown responded to the West Bethel Road for a vehicle that hit a guardrail. No injuries.

At 4:44 p.m. a caller reported a missing vehicle that was broken down on the side of the road. The subject was advised it had been towed three days ago for being a traffic hazard.

At 6:36 p.m. a caller reported finding a purse on Mayville Road. Deputy Willie Nelson was assigned.

Monday, Jan. 23

At 2:13 p.m. Cpl. Chancey Libby and Deputy Mike Halacy responded to the Intervale Road for a report of a cow and a cart off the road. The cow appeared to be injured and stuck.

East Bethel

By WALLY RITZ



It has been a sad couple of weeks as we lost another wonderful man, Ken Scribner. He, too, touched many lives and will be missed, yet never forgotten.

On the brighter side, Kathy and Paul Herbert are overjoyed as they now have a beautiful granddaughter, Lily Catherine Lewis greeted the world, weighing in at 7 lbs. 9 oz. and 19 1/4 inches long, on Jan. 20 at 9:57 in the evening.

All were especially happy that Lily waited till John was able to be there. Congratulations to the proud parents, Tonya and John Lewis, all the grandparents and last but not least the proud Aunt Lacey.

Gloria Crockett had some very interesting news for us. Last Sunday when the temperature was 15 below zero she spotted a robin in her crab apple tree. As if that wasn't amazing enough, lo and behold, the next day there were four of them out there! Does that mean Spring is here?

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Andover

By JANE RICH



Snow has finally come to this place known as Snow Valley and that encouraged the snowmobile

club to open the club house off of Route 5 behind Betsey and Dave White's house. Coffee and donuts are available there as well as a lunch, most days. Look for the sign that says open. The next meeting of the club will be on Wednesday, Feb. 1, 7 p.m. at the club-house.

That same evening there will be a public hearing at the Town Hall regarding the closure of the East Andover Post Office. That is a change in the previously scheduled meeting which was to have been held on Jan. 23.

The after-school program at Calvary Bible Church will resume in February on Tuesdays from 3 to 5 p.m. The Ladies Bible Study meets at the parsonage on Monday mornings at 9:30. There are two youth groups that meet on Fridays from 6 to 8 p.m. which are divided by age.

This evening, Jan. 26, at 6 p.m. will be the first meeting of Possibilities, illuminating the visions of our founding fathers at the First Congregational Church. Invitations have been extended to a number of people in the community which asks the question, if you had the opportunity to be a participant in a vision, would you do it? The object of the workshop is to bring back the importance of God in our lives, in our church and in our community.

The Andover Educational Fund Board of Directors will meet on Feb. 5 at 6:30 p.m. in the CEB. Traditionally, this is the month when the directors review our investments and do financial planning for the upcoming scholarship awards in June and July. High school seniors and those eligible for the Cutting Endowment will be notified by mail. May 1 will be the filing date for those applying for the John and Eunice Fox Scholarship, the Sweatt Family Trust, and the Anna Thurston Award. Those applying for the Cutting Endowment must do so by July 1.

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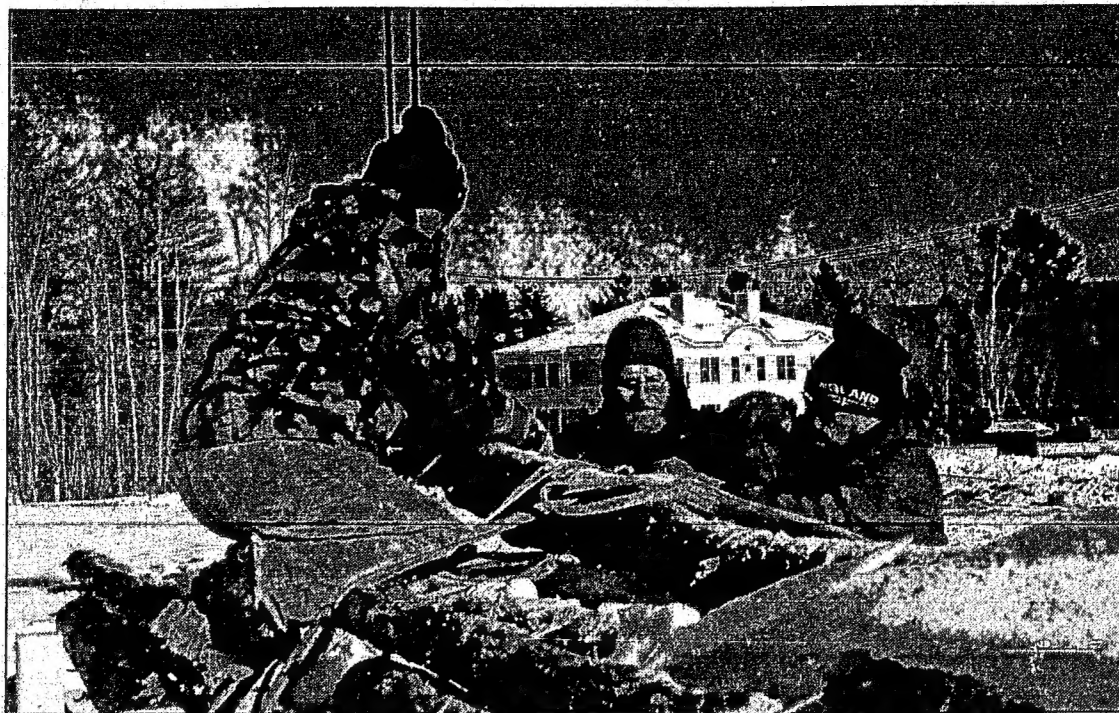
By RICHARD GROVER



More Wild Weasel: Donovan continued. F-105's began attacking SAM sites with low-level bombing raids.

Trouble was, the Vietnamese began locating SAMs in heavily wooded or otherwise densely foliated areas, camouflaging them and making them hard to locate. They also created a few "dummy" sites that looked real in photographs, but were made of wood or other materials and were surrounded by large numbers of automatic weapons. When some of these sites were attacked, F-105 losses were prohibitively high. Some high-ranking people in the Pentagon Air Staff even voiced fears that the Vietnamese had achieved air superiority with the surface-to-air missiles in NVN.

The Chief of Staff of the Air Force convened a working study group of pilots, engineers, electronic warfare officers and aviation industry contractors to come up with a solution to the SAM dilemma. Jack Donovan related his own introduction to the project. "We were sent into a non-descript aircraft hanger surrounded by armed guards at the Long Beach Regional Airport. As we walked through the hanger door, there sat a two-seat F-100 aircraft with its guts hanging out. Fuselage and wing panels were open everywhere, and there were electrical wires dangling from openings all around the aircraft. We were called into a meeting room full of engineers, contractors and high-ranking Air Force officers. They were discussing numbers of black boxes, and all the



MAKING ADJUSTMENTS—The first attempt last week to raise a bundle of logs to a vertical position for Bethel's snow volcano had to be halted when it was discovered the cables holding them weren't tight enough. Here, Ed Bennett, Bob Westfall and Jim Sysko tighten them. The next try was successful. The project now awaits snow-making temperatures to create a sliding hill around the logs.

other supplies needed to outfit a small number of aircraft with the ability to (hopefully) deal with the SAMs."

The idea was to outfit the aircraft with electronic receivers that would detect the missile radar signals and give an indication as to the direction from which the signals came. As fighter aircraft were too small to install large direction finding antennas on, engineers decided to place small antennas on the aircraft extremities (the nose, tail and both wingtips). High-tech black boxes would then measure signal time of arrival from each of the scattered antennas and generate signals to small scopes in the cockpits which would display little green strobes pointing in the direction of the SAM radars, and thus the SAM site. These strobes did not display the range or distance to the sites, but the relative signal strength gave the aircrew a general idea of how far away the site was. Engineers even installed another set of antennas around the nose of the aircraft, connected to other black boxes that would display a "pipper" signal on the

pilot's windscreen similar to the gun-sight used to shoot at enemy aircraft during aerial "dogfights." The EWO in the back seat would select the proper SAM signal with his special receiver to give the pilot the pipper and allow him to dive bomb or strafe a camouflaged missile site even when he could not see the radar van or missiles on the ground.

The plan was to use these specially outfitted "pathfinder" F-100's to lead flights of 4 F-105's which carried heavier bomb loads and to mark the target SAM sites for the Thuds, which would hopefully destroy the SAMs. Donovan's reaction: "You want me to climb into the back seat of a single engine aircraft behind a crazy fighter pilot and go looking for SAMs? You've got to be sh..ting me!"

This project to purchase and install the required hardware in the F-100 Wild Weasel aircraft was given the Air Force's highest priority emergency requisition status, using funds available to the Air Force Chief of Staff for such contingencies. It was expected to outfit the first demonstration aircraft in about 60 days. They planned for six aircrews and six F-100 aircraft to train

and deploy to Korat Royal Thai Air Force Base (RTAFB) as soon as they could be outfitted and trained.

Upton

By JOE BERNIER



Breakfast at the Ladies Aid was, as always, very good. The special was french toast and I enjoyed every bite.

The Ladies have their weekly meeting at Leslie's house, Fridays at 10 a.m.

The Upton Historical Society met Sunday, the 19th. Ten people attended including two new members. It was a productive and fun meeting. A nice start for 2012. The minutes should be posted soon on the society's website. Their next meeting will be Feb. 26, 1 p.m. at the Upton House.

The State Line Snowmobile Club will meet Feb. 4, 9 a.m. For more information send an e-mail to pepidom@megalink.net

The Upton Planning Board will meet this coming Friday, Jan. 27, in the town office. The work meeting will begin at 6:30 and starts at 7. The Board

will review applications for building permits. The public is welcome at both parts of the meeting.

The Selectmen's next scheduled meeting is Feb. 7, 7 p.m. in the town office.

Mr. Aldro French, owner, caretaker, and many other titles, of Forest Lodge, asked me to extend the following invitation. If you are riding the Carry Road, and the flag is flying at the Winter House and there is smoke coming out of the chimney, then the coffee is on and you are welcome to stop in for a cup or two. Mr. French is staying the winter; he is beginning to have a little cabin fever and he would love to have some people to talk to.

Sunday afternoon, I took a short ride on my sled. I went from Back Street to Upton Village, then around the Mollidgewock Loop trail and returned home. A total of about ten miles. Considering the dearth of snow, the trails were excellent. Keep up the good work guys.

Please call 533-2010 or e-mail me at backstjoe@gmail.com with your news.

Greenwood City

By MINDY SWEETSER



Another week has flown by bringing a bundle of weather assortment from minus 11 degrees to a high of 40 degrees. From snow to now rain I can only imagine how much of a struggle the wildlife is having to survive. For this I know is how Mother Nature eliminates the weak, the old, and the young. However some are benefiting from the weather fluctuation patterns. The deer are fairing well for the food is not so hard to locate with the minimal snow fall. The squirrels are still able to find buried treasures and the turkeys are still able to scratch up a snack left behind. The moose and deer are shedding there antlers, as my husband has seen quite a few uni-horns lately

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Along the roadside. My ducks are enjoying this weather of 40 degrees as they are cleaning themselves by playing in the mud puddles. It's nice to see the snowmobilers have a little snow to get out on the trails, but I'm afraid the built-up anticipation has worn off the patience, and encouraged the dangerous thirst of speed. As I've seen in the news there are already a number of snowmobiling fatalities and it's only been a week since the trails have really opened.

Today's weather makes me want to break out the potting soil and start planting. However, I know from past experience not to rush things as one year I did and in doing so my plants were ready to produce veggies way too early. We had a nice spring that year so I set them out during the day brought them in at night until they got so big I couldn't move them successfully then I lost them all. So much time and money wasted due to rushing the season so I will put my temptations on hold for now.

Taking a glance at my last week, I really didn't achieve too much. We brought our pig to slaughter on the coldest morning we have had yet this year. My sister and I had planned to go bowling on Sunday and she stood me up. I think she was a bit worried I would cream her so she decided to go out to lunch with her in-laws and work on her figure as she is a bit thin! The kids spent the night over to my parents actually for the first time. I guess my parents were them out 'cause they took a nap during the day. They now have some really good memories to bank on.

Silvian and my father are dreaming of the coon hunting days to come. My father bought a hound pup for them to train and he couldn't be more tickled. I was brought up in a corn field shining coon all night for as long as I can remember.

One funny thing that I did last week was I made a huge, yummy fish chowder and came to find out it was three generations of making a fish chowder, for my grandmother made one and my mother did as well. The saying "the apple don't fall very far from the tree" is so real.

I have seen a lot of people stressed with life's happenings and struggling to survive these days, and I recently came across a good saying that said something to the fact that everyone is battling their own battle so think twice before judging someone. That is so true, so I thought I would write an inspirational poem based on that, here goes:

There are days when nothing seems to go right,
When everything you touch shatters in sight,

When it seems no one is listening to you,
And the sky seems more gray than blue,
Open your eyes you lost soul,
For all of us share a role,
You too will find your way,
Life will be sure to change from day to day,
Life is all about the climb,
Your carbon footprint can change on a dime,
We all have fell,
You may think you're in hell,
We all have been burnt by a spark,

And been in a room filled by dark,
But sure as the sunrise,
You can find goodness within the skies,
Count the lives who need your light,
Love burns through the darkest night,
Never give up, listen to the wind,
Open up and let go of your sins,
Take another step, reach for the stars,
Remember how you got all those scars?

The stars will light your way,
Open your eyes to see you are a great person today!
My thought for the week is: It takes strength to survive, as it also takes courage to live.

Waterford

By ROCKIE GRAHAM



We certainly are marching right through January. Before we know it will be February and mid-winter will be here. Never mind that it is raining in between the snowflakes. We were lucky for awhile, but now winter is really hitting. For some snow is welcome. I for one would rather see snow than ice and freezing rain. Any kind of rain is not really welcome in January or February. But what will be will be.

Thursday, Jan. 26, is the start of University Cooperative Extension Master Gardener's course. It is from 5:30 to 9 p.m. at their office on 9 Olsen Road, South Paris. FMI and an application call: 743-6329. Thursday, the 26th, Adult Children of Alcoholics and Dysfunctional Families (ACA) will meet at 10 a.m. at Waterford Library: FMI 739-9115. Friday, Jan. 27, Open Mic Night at First Universalist Church on 479 Main Street, Norway, with new host Dave Sturtevant. Sign up at 6:30. \$3 donation at the door. Refreshments will be available. FMI call 743-2828.

Next Thursday, Feb. 2, 6 to 9 p.m. is All you Can Eat Pizza Night at Matterhorn on Sunday River Road, Newry. Tickets are \$15 with proceeds going to Rotary Clubs Scholarship Fund in Memory of Rocky Freda.

Happy Birthday goes out next week to Liz Tempesta.

That is about all for this week. Have a safe week and drive carefully.

Locke's Mills

By BETSEY FOSTER



Pat and Henry Stewart requested Greenwood Selectmen place a noise ordinance on the agenda for the spring town meeting. They brought in sample ordinances from other towns so the selectmen could use them to draft an ordinance. The Stewarts said they have been awoken before 5 a.m. by logging operations. Townspeople will be able to vote on the ordinance at town meeting, May 19.

Town Manager Kim Sparks received a quote from GWI to provide Internet service to the Greenwood Highway Department. The quote was \$595 per month with a 36-month contract. That is right, five hundred and ninety-five dollars. That is absurd. Sparks is continuing to talk with Time Warner about Internet. Oxford Networks told her they were not interested in providing this service.

Fire Chief Al Curtis, Jr., gave a monthly report to the selectmen. No fires but a number of first responses to traffic accidents during storms. Greenwood now has six First Responders with the fire department Dave Hand, Jessica Bradley, David Pratt, Ray Wakefield, Al Curtis, III, and Al Curtis, Jr. Anyone interested in this training can contact the town office for more information.

Vera Cross was in the hospital earlier this month with pneumonia. According to her "niece," Judy Coolidge, Vera is back in her home and is improving.

Mark and Cheryl Stearns spent a week at their home on Round Pond. Ran into Mark while he was ice fishing he'd caught two pickerel. I told him of a friend's method for boning this delicious but bony fish. Steam the pickerel, slip off the skin, and lift the spine, etc. This technique takes a few tries, but there are plenty of pickerel to practice on.

Ice thickness varies. I talked to several folks who were out ice fishing, and Round Pond ice is 3 inches to 8 inches. South Pond, on the other hand, is 2 inches to 6 inches and has a very large area of open water. I asked Rich Wakefield about this open area, and he said he has not seen it before and he has lived in Locke's Mills his whole life. Since he was in my class in school, that means he has quite a few decades to look

back on. This open area is clearly visible from the Greenwood Road. Anyone out there have thoughts about what is going on?

The bird population is increasing with latest very welcome addition of a male cardinal. What color he has.

You can send me news at 3taich16@gmail.com

Bryant Pond

By ALICE HOYT



If you need support to lose weight, join TOPS for the months of January and February. The membership is half price at \$13. Meetings are Wednesdays from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Alliance Church across from Telstar High School.

Joseph Hoyt and friend Kelsey visited his dad James and Charlene Hoyt and grandparents Ken and Alice Hoyt on Friday.

Marybeth Hoover was a dinner guest of her grandparents on Sunday.

Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens will meet on Feb. 2, 11 a.m. at the Town Conference Room with a potluck dinner. Program: Neil Olson. Please bring a dish to share and your own place setting.

The services at the Baptist Church are Sunday school at 9:15, morning worship at 10:30, evening service at 6, prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 6:30, ladies fellowship on Saturday, Jan. 28 at 2 p.m.

Franklin Grange 124 will meet at the home of Alice Hoyt on Saturday, Feb. 4. The meeting starts at 10. A potluck dinner will follow.

The Whitman Memorial Library program was canceled on Jan. 12 because of a storm. Dr. Fred Jordan will present his program on Thursday, Feb. 9 at 2 p.m. This is a somewhat whimsical look at forensic pathology over the years. He will also talk about the Maine medical examiners' system then and now, mass disaster planning and a few interesting studies including one about a Maine boy who moved West.

Dr. Jordan worked in Oklahoma for many years, but he had a Bryant Pond connection. His godparents were Howard and Sylvia Judkins and he fondly remembers spending many weeks with them as a boy. This will be an interesting afternoon. The public is invited. No charge and light refreshments will be served.

The Historical Society is a major asset to the town and the area. Its exhibits are great and its members work hard to keep it going. It has a great many old photos of Bryant

Pond. It is fortunate to have such a record of the area from years ago. Along with photos they have dozens of village postcards as well. The Historical Society regrets the passing of Liz Whitman.

Newry

By SENECA CORRIVEAU



Winter is finally here, no wait well, OK, I give up.

This past Friday I thought, "This is it, winter is finally here!"

After all, who could deny it when our valley was blanketed in a dense coat of glistening white? The drive to town was absolutely lovely, slow, but most enjoyable. It was one of those, "glad to be alive moments."

And then it happened, I saw a robin, red breast and all. A sure sign of spring right? Pondering, hmmm. The ride home, same day mind you, I discovered that the snowmobile trail, I-82, had actually been groomed for the first time this year! Winter still?

Then Monday night into Tuesday we had temps rise and snow became water adding to the rain that was falling in January! Our yard became flooded. There were some areas where the water was over my boot tops. So, what will Old Man winter deal out next? Your guess is as good as mine.

Some sage advice might be to enjoy each day as it comes without worrying about tomorrow. Old wives and their tales might not be as crazy as they seem, here in Maine, if you don't like the weather, just wait 10 minutes.

Have a blessed week and always have stock a full wardrobe, t-shirts, wool socks and galoshes!

Ellis River Riders plan for 2012

Ellis River Riders has elected some new officers for the 2012 season.

Deb Cayer is still the president of the club, Pam Tobin is now the vice president of the club. Jeff Bryant is the treasurer, Charlotte Wilkins is the new secretary.

Dawn Grondin remains on the Show Committee, Tim Tobin continues on the Trail Committee as well as Julie Kimball on the Ethics Committee.

A reminder that membership dues must be paid by Jan. 31 to hold your campsite \$20 individuals/\$25 family. Payments can be sent to: Ellis River Riders P.O. Box 213, Livermore Falls, ME 04254.

Ellis River Riders is looking forward to an exciting 2012 season. We will be looking for volunteers to help Bill Cole get the Show Grounds open, and we will keep you updated with tentative dates.

Also Tony Milligan is working on a menu for the Feed Bag this year and plans to make some changes inside the building; he will also be looking for volunteers willing to help cook this year. Remember "The hands of many, make light work."

The club has scheduled most of its show dates for 2012. ERR plans to participate in the Maine Equine Super Showweekend the weekend of July 6-8 in Topsham. We will be looking for vendors for that event. If you are interested you can contact Deb Cayer at 393-2381.

ERR also will be hosting its own Versatility Trail Challenge the weekend of Sept. 15 and 16. The Trail Committee is looking for interested people who might be interested in hosting a Trail Ride. Contact Tim Tobin for more information.

In other news, the club took time to thank Sandy Cole for her dedication to the club. She plans to spend more time with her daughter and be able to devote more time to riding her horse, Rambo, this year.

The Show Committee is reviewing the members' rule book for an April print date. Lastly, the club voted at their Jan. 7 meeting to donate \$100 toward the Knowlton Corner Farm benefit.

The horse farm had recently been destroyed and, unfortunately, one horse was lost in the devastating fire. Some members of the ERR club attended the benefit. It was a full house; they served a spaghetti dinner, had raffles, and an auction all to raise money toward the feed, care and supplies for the surviving horses.

2012 Show Schedule:
-May 19, Gymkhana
-May 20, Open
-June 16, Gymkhana
-June 30, Open
-July 21, Gymkhana
-July 7, 8, 9, Maine Equine Super Showweek/MESS (Topsham) Vendors Wanted*
-Aug. 4, Gymkhana (night show starts 3 p.m.)
-Aug. 5, Open
-Sept. 1, Open
-Sept. 2, Gymkhana
-Sept. 15 and 16 Versatility Trail Challenge at ERR show grounds.

As you can see we have a lot planned for the 2012 season and we look forward to seeing you and as always spectators are free.

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Forensic pathologist next week at Whitman Library

On Thursday, Feb. 9, at 2 p.m., the guest speaker at the Whitman Memorial Library in Bryant Pond will be Fred B. Jordan, MD.

Dr. Jordan is a medical examiner/forensic pathologist who grew up in Maine. He is a graduate of Bowdoin College and Tufts University School of Medicine, and took postgraduate training in Maine and Virginia before moving to Oklahoma in 1972 where he ultimately served as Chief Medical Examiner for the state and clinical Professor of Pathology at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center in Oklahoma City.

In 2004 Dr. Jordan "retired" to Maine where he now serves as Deputy Chief Medical Examiner and as a consultant forensic pathologist to the Maine Office of Chief Medical Examiner in Augusta.

The Presentation will take a somewhat whimsical look at forensic pathology over the years and will talk about the Maine Medical Examiner System then and now, mass disaster planning, and a few interesting case studies including one of a Maine boy who moved West and got into a spot of trouble (not Dr. Jordan in this case).

If you watch NCIS, CSI, Law and Order, or even brave enough to watch the nightly news you have nothing to fear from this presentation.

There will be lots of time to ask Dr. Jordan questions, so come and have an interesting afternoon. The program is open to the public at no charge and light refreshments will be served.

Democrats plan supper

The Oxford County Democrats are sponsoring a Meet the Candidates Old Fashioned Beef Stew Supper for the River Valley Democrats and others interested in electing Democrats on Thursday, Feb. 2. Continuing a series of regional 2012 Kick-off events held throughout the county, the supper will feature stew

with biscuits and gingerbread and will be held at the Rumford Eagles Hall at 6 p.m., preceded by a social time at 5:30. The special guests will be U.S. Senate candidates including former Secretary of State Matt Dunlap and Rep. Jon Hinck, and possibly Senator Cynthia Dill, who is hoping to attend. In addition, River Valley area legislators Senator John Patrick of Rumford, Representative Matt Peterson of Rumford, and Representative Sheryl Briggs of Mexico will attend, as will candidates including Jane Rich of Andover for Commissioner, incumbent County Treasurer Roy Gedat and others to be added.

Updates will be provided by Cathy Newell, Oxford County Democratic chair, of Greenwood, as well as Maine Democratic Party leaders, and representatives of Congressman Michaud's campaign.

Tickets are \$10 at the door with seniors and students \$8. RSVP by calling 364-7666 or 875-2116, would be appreciated for planning purposes.

WMSC Q&A wrapup

The Western Mountains Senior College is proudly celebrating its 10th anniversary year, with the philosophy of "Ten Years and Still Learning."

For the past three weeks we have offered a great deal of information about WMSC's mission, structure and classes and how to become a member. Read on to learn about a variety of other WMSC events.

Do you have other member activities or programs that are not offered as traditional classes?

Some very interesting ones! Perhaps you've enjoyed a performance of the Senior College Players, all of the hard-working thespians being WMSC members who enjoy performing, especially with written scripts if desired. There is one ongoing, free Special Interest Group, Explorations in Spirituality, which began as a regular class and has morphed into an independent learning group.

We enjoy member-only activities so much that they've become annual events: a winter snowshoe venture, a late-winter soup swap, a spring potluck supper with presentation, a summer blueberry-picking and poetry-reading picnic, and a fall bus trip to the Common Ground Fair.

Some are now offered even more often; our wine-tasting evenings at the Mill Hill Inn, facilitated by the Good Food Store's David Nivus, are particularly popular.

Do you offer events that non-members can attend?

Yes. We take seriously our commitment to the life of the community, and we have two long-standing programs that are offered regularly each term, free to the public. Dedicated to offering health information of concern to the community, our To Your Health programs are a collaborative effort with the Bethel Family Health Center and SAD 44 Continuing Education. One very popular fall To Your Health program was "80 is the New 60," featuring a panel of WMSC octogenarians.

Down Home Maine presentations feature community members who share their interesting talents and adventures in a late-afternoon setting that allows for the enjoyment of refreshments. A recent fall program, in collaboration with the Bethel Historical Society, was a presentation about the late Florence Hastings by her four children.

How can I get regular information on what WMSC is offering?

We hope you've seen our regular newspaper articles and advertisements and posted flyers about specific programs. Did you know we have a website? It's currently undergoing changes, but you can still access the basic information by Googling Western Mountains Senior College. Our brochures are in various locations in the community. Maybe you'd like to suggest another way of spreading the word.

Our members get mailed a printed newsletter before the fall, winter, and spring terms, and a monthly electronic newsletter. Of course, there's always quite a buzz about upcoming events within the regular classroom setting as well. We invite you to visit a class session with a friend - no better way to get a feel for what's going on at WMSC!

This concludes a four-part series of information on the Western Mountains Senior College. We are proud of how we've grown over ten years and what we are able to offer our members and the wider community.

We always welcome new members - any time of the year. The winter term has just begun, but there's still time to register for most events. We love new ideas - or commendations or even criticisms. Please contact us at the Adult and Community Education office at Telstar: 824-2780. Our Co-chairs love to hear from you: Nancy Davis (nancydavis@megalink.net or 381-1110) or Marcia Foster-Austin (foster-austin@hotmail.com or 824-3400).

WMSC "To Your Health" presentation

"Caring for Your Heart - heart disease, prevention, symptoms, treatment options and new developments" will be the topic of a program presented by Daniel E. van Buren, M.D., Board Certified Cardiologist, on Thursday, Feb. 9, from 4:30 to 6 p.m. at the Bethel Congregational Church, Church Street, Bethel. A snow date is scheduled for February 16.

To Your Health of Western Mountains Senior College (WMSC) offers this program to call attention to heart disease and its prevention during American Heart Month.

Dr. van Buren is well qualified to address this topic. He is the director of Cardiovascular Medicine of the New England Heart Institute at Androscoggin Valley Hospital in Berlin, N.H. He completed his internal medicine and cardiology training in Brooklyn, N.Y., and now resides in Bethel, Maine. He is board certified in internal medicine, adult echocardiography, nuclear cardiology, and cardiovascular disease.

Dr. van Buren's talk will cover some of the most common diagnoses in the field of cardiology. He said "coronary heart disease is a major cause of death and disability in developed countries, and it remains the cause of about a third of all deaths in people over age 35."

He added that congestive heart failure is the leading cause for hospitalization in the U.S. among persons over age 65. Dr. van Buren will also discuss atrial fibrillation. He said this common arrhythmia continues to place a huge burden on patients' lives and our healthcare system. His talk will focus on a description of these disease processes, their symptoms, current therapies and new developments.

Dr. van Buren will allow time for questions and will have handouts available. To Your Health is sponsored by WMSC as a community service with the collaboration of Bethel Family Health Center and SAD 44 Continuing Education. The public is invited and admission is free. Light refreshments available. FMI contact R. Tift at 824-2053.

WMSC, with the motto "Ten Years and Still Learning," is proudly celebrating its tenth year of offering multi-session courses, workshops, outdoor activities, special events and social gatherings to members aged 50 and over and interested associate members under age 50.

The To Your Health series is dedicated to offering health information of concern to the community. Programs are open to the public without charge. To reach the WMSC website for more information, "Google" Western Mountains Senior College.

BHS offers Business Partners Program

As one of the largest and most active cultural institutions of its type in northern New England, the Bethel Historical Society recognizes that this ranking is due in large part to the support it receives from the business community in the Bethel area and beyond. In turn, the society strives to promote its Business Partners in a variety of ways, and believes this successful partnership contributes directly to the economic vitality of the region. Each year, thousands from throughout the nation and the world visit the society's Regional History Center, which offers more than a dozen exhibit spaces and period rooms where visitors discover the area's varied and colorful past. Additionally, the society provides an ongoing series of lectures, courses, special exhibits, craft demonstrations, and educational activities that help make our region's history meaningful, accessible, and enjoyable for people of all ages.

It goes without saying that the financial support of the society's Business Partners is invaluable and enables the organization to carry out its mission of collecting, preserving, displaying and interpreting the history of western Maine and the White Mountain region of Maine and New Hampshire. In return for that support, the society is pleased to offer a number of member benefits, including an attractive Business Partner certificate to display; referral of businesses to visitors, staff, volunteers, and trustees; a display space for brochures and business cards at the society's Regional History Center; a listing and a link on the society's website; listings in each issue of the society's newsletter, The Broad Street Herald; and a "spotlight listing" on a rotating basis in the society's e-News.

Calendar year Business Partnerships are offered at a variety of fee levels to fit individual budgets and may be arranged by visiting the society's website at www.bethelhistorical.org or by calling the society office at 824-2908.

Primetime SR Ski Club news

The snow is covering the mountain well after a couple of half-foot storms. Seems like not enough yet, but you know the saying about beggars not being choosers, so we'll take what we can get. Skiing is wonderful both on the groomers and also the several newly opened ungroomed trails. SR's nearing the century mark in open trails as of this writing. It's great!

Primetime's activities were busy this week, being the mountain's GO-50 week tailored toward those 50-plus (that's US). This special week provided several opportunities for members to reacquaint and meet others like ourselves at a GO-50 cocktail party, a lec-

ture on the history of Maine skiing, several events, and even a couple house parties. Several even got involved in a mountain set up 50-plus GO "race."

Next week many will focus on skiing solely, as a few members head west to Aspen/Snowmass leaving the remainder of us here to ski this wonderful terrain all by ourselves. If the weather's good we expect large turnouts again this week at the 10 a.m. assemblies. Every one's approaching mid-season form.

The Primetime Ski Club is an independent ski and social club welcoming anyone 50 and over. They meet week days at 10 a.m. at Sunday River's North Peak Lodge to form daily ski groups based on ability, terrain, and social aspects. Info at www.primetimeskiclub.com.

Universalist Church news

The First Universalist Church of West Paris will greet the shortest month of the year with thought-provoking revelations in our service themes. Services are presented with a combination of Worship Service Committee members and guest speakers. All are welcome to attend; services are 9 a.m. every Sunday until mid-June.

Feb. 5, "Trash and Treasure" led by guest The Reverend Robert E. Wolf who is a retired UU minister having served churches in Buffalo, N.Y., Caribou and Portland, Maine, Needham, Mass., and Keene, N.H., over his nearly 40-year career. He grew up in suburban Boston and is a graduate of Northeastern University and of Meadville Theological School and the University of Chicago. He and his wife, Mary, presently live in Auburn, Maine, and are active members of the First Universalist Church of Auburn.

Feb. 12, Third in a series of the seven Unitarian Universalist Principles: "Acceptance of One Another and Encouragement to Spiritual Growth in Our Congregations" Worship Committee service led by Suzanne Dunham.

Feb. 19, "To Endeavor in the Face of the Impossible" inspired by a Margaret Drabble novel; she believed that happiness was a by-product of our efforts to live our lives with devotion and depth. The service is led by guest The Reverend Glenn Turner, a graduate of Brown University, 1957. He received a M.Div. from the Starr King School for the Ministry in 1962. An Honorary Doctorate from SKSM in 2005 was, in part, due to his work in promoting Small Group Ministry. He served churches in Yakima and in Tacoma, Wash., in Natick/Sherborn, Mass., and in Baton Rouge, La., and was District Minister in the Northeast District from 1992 until his retirement in 2000.

Feb. 26, "God is Near" with returning guest Cindy Reedy who has presented several services at the West Paris UU church. She is a teacher and third-generation UU.

For more information about the church and services please call Marta Clements 674-2143. You can also visit www.uua.org/

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HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE CASH IN ON MODERN DAY GOLD RUSH!

By Jason Delong
STAFF WRITER

Gold and silver pour into yesterday's event due to highest prices in 40 years.

Yesterday at the **Town & Country Inn**, locals lined up to cash in on their gold and silver, antiques, and collectibles at the "As seen on TV" **THR's Treasure Hunters Roadshow**. The free event is in **Gorham** all week, buying gold, silver, antiques and collectibles. One visitor I spoke with yesterday said, "It's unbelievable, I brought in some old coins that had been in a little cigar box for years and some old herringbone necklaces—in less than fifteen minutes I left with a check for \$700. That stuff has been in my jewelry box and dresser for at least 20 years."

THR'S TREASURE HUNTERS ROADSHOW HAS BEEN TOURING THE WORLD SINCE 2001. THIS YEAR ALONE, THEY WILL VISIT 3,000 CITIES AND OVER HALF A MILLION PEOPLE WILL CASH IN!

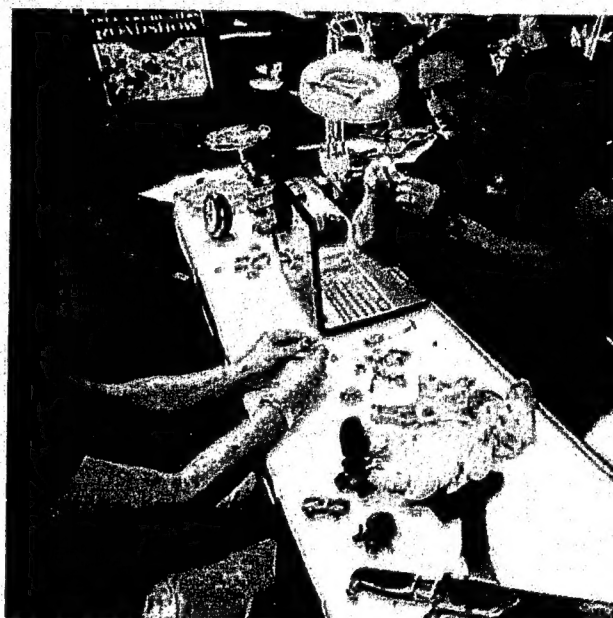
Another gentleman brought in an old Fender guitar his father had bought years ago. The man said, "Dad had less than fifty bucks in that guitar." The event specialist that assisted him made a few phone calls and a veterinarian in Seattle, Washington bought the guitar for \$5,700.00. The seller continued, "I got another \$150.00 for a broken necklace and an old class ring. It's not every day that someone comes to town bringing six thousand dollars with your name on it."

Jeff Parsons, President of THR's Treasure Hunters Roadshow, commented, "Lots of people have items

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that they know are valuable but just don't know where to sell them. Old toys, trains, swords, guitars, pocket watches and jewelry are valuable to collectors. These collectors are willing to pay big money for those items that they are looking for."

This week's event is the best place to get connected with those collectors. The process is free and



If you go to the event, you can cash-in your items for competitive prices. Representatives will be available to assess and purchase your items at the Town & Country Inn, this week through Friday, in Gorham.

anyone can bring items down to the event. If the specialists find items that collectors are interested in, offers will be made to purchase them. About 80% of the guests that attend the show end up selling one or more items at the event.

Antiques and collectibles are not the only items being purchased. "Gold and silver markets are soaring," says Archie Davis, an event representative. "Broken jewelry and gold and silver coins add up very quickly. I just finished working with a gentleman that had an old class ring, two bracelets and a handful of silver dollars. His check was for over \$650.00. I would say that there were well over 100 people in here yesterday that sold their scrap gold."

One gentleman holding his check for over \$1,250 in the lobby of the event yesterday had this comment: "I am so happy I decided to come. I saw the newspaper ad for the event and brought in an old German sword I had brought back from World War II and some old coins, and here is my check. What a great thing for our community. I am heading home now to see what else I have that they might be interested in."

The event continues today starting at 9am. It is free and no appointment is needed.

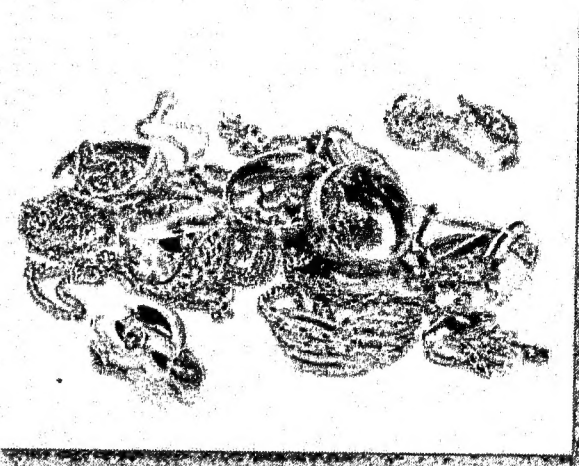
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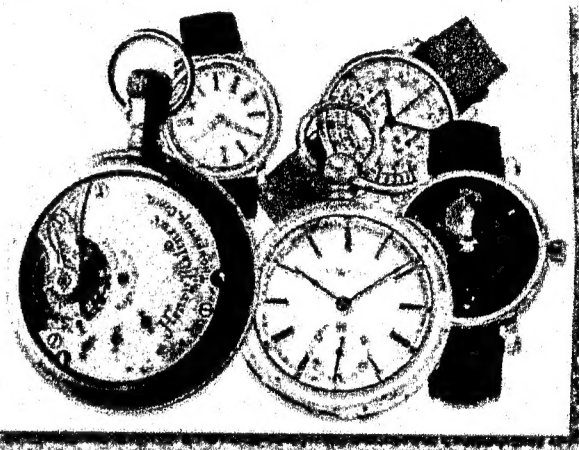
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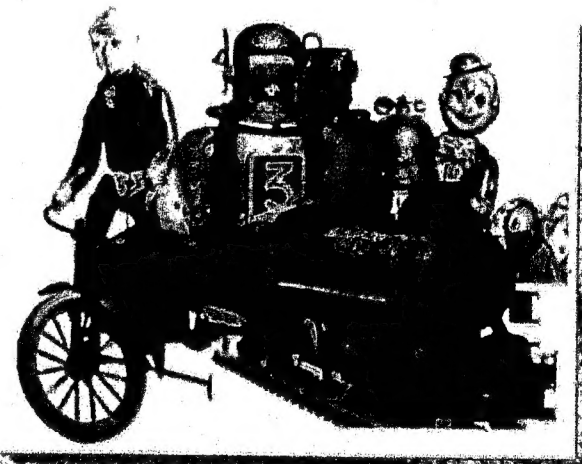
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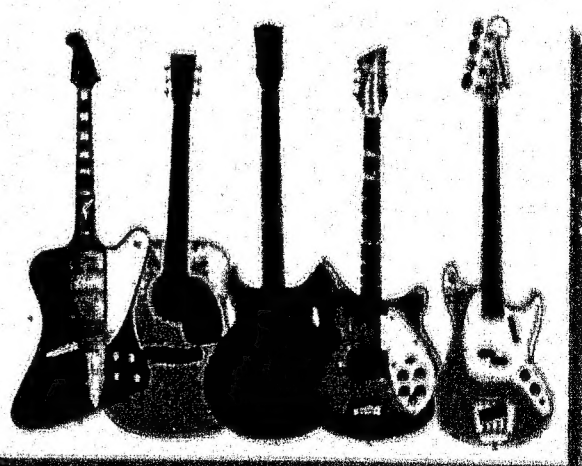


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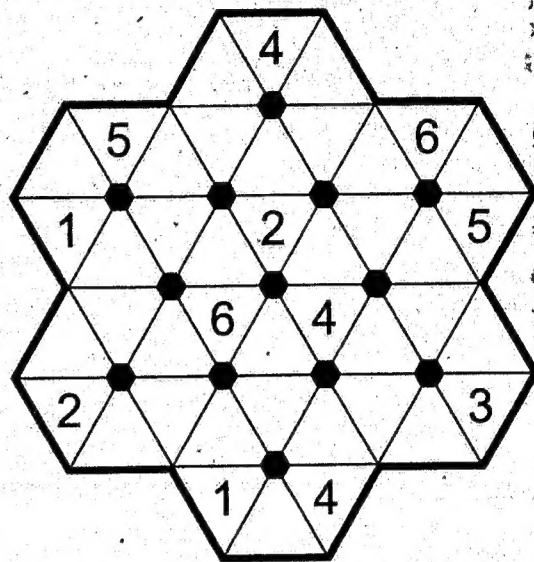
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by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the number 1-6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.

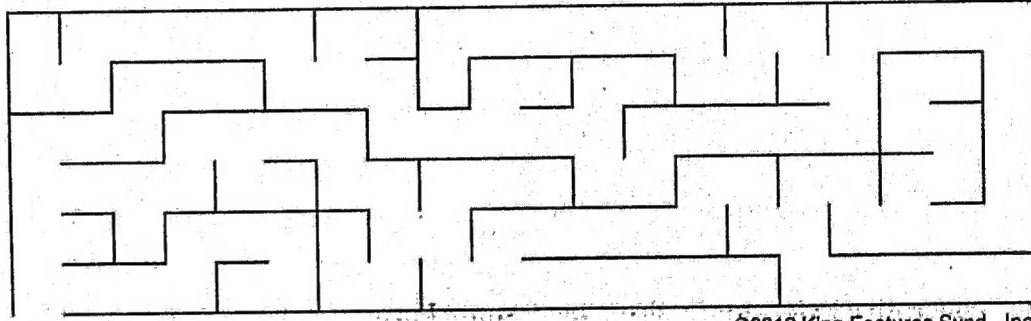


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Kids' Maze

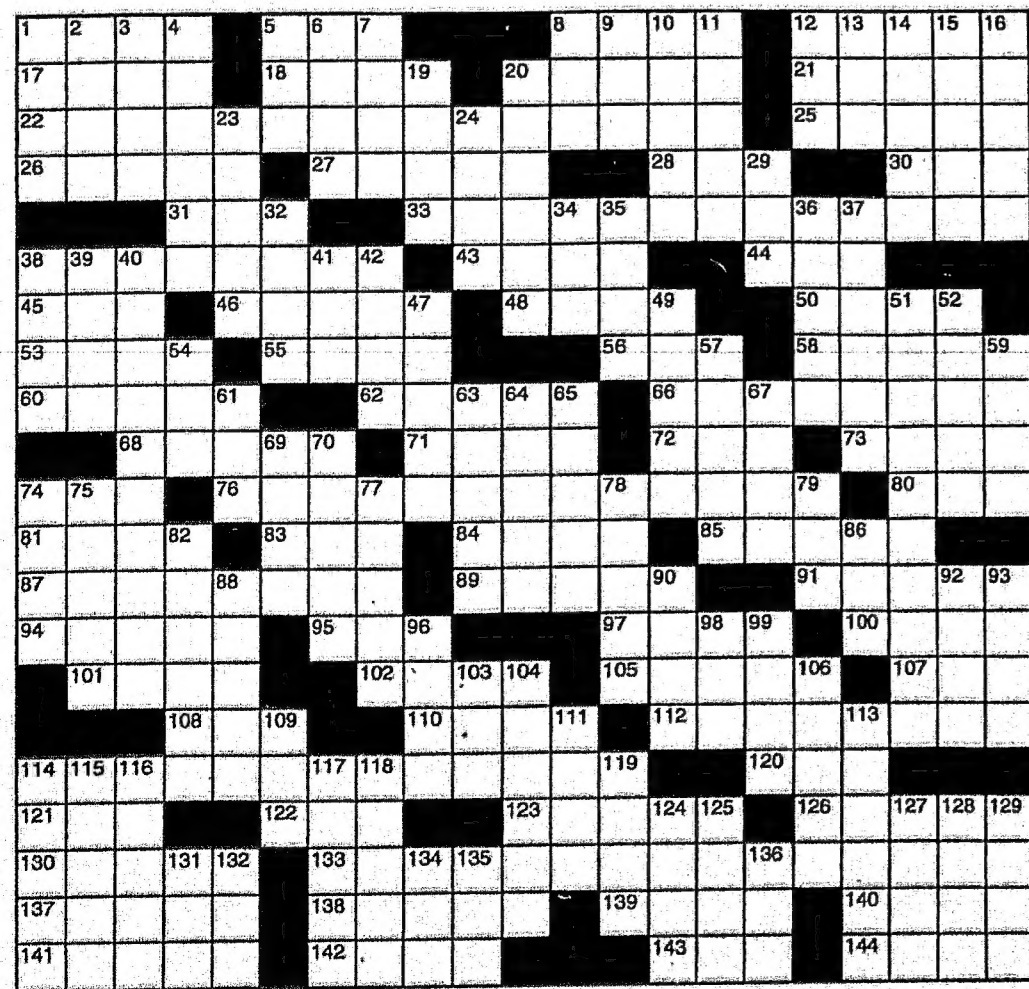


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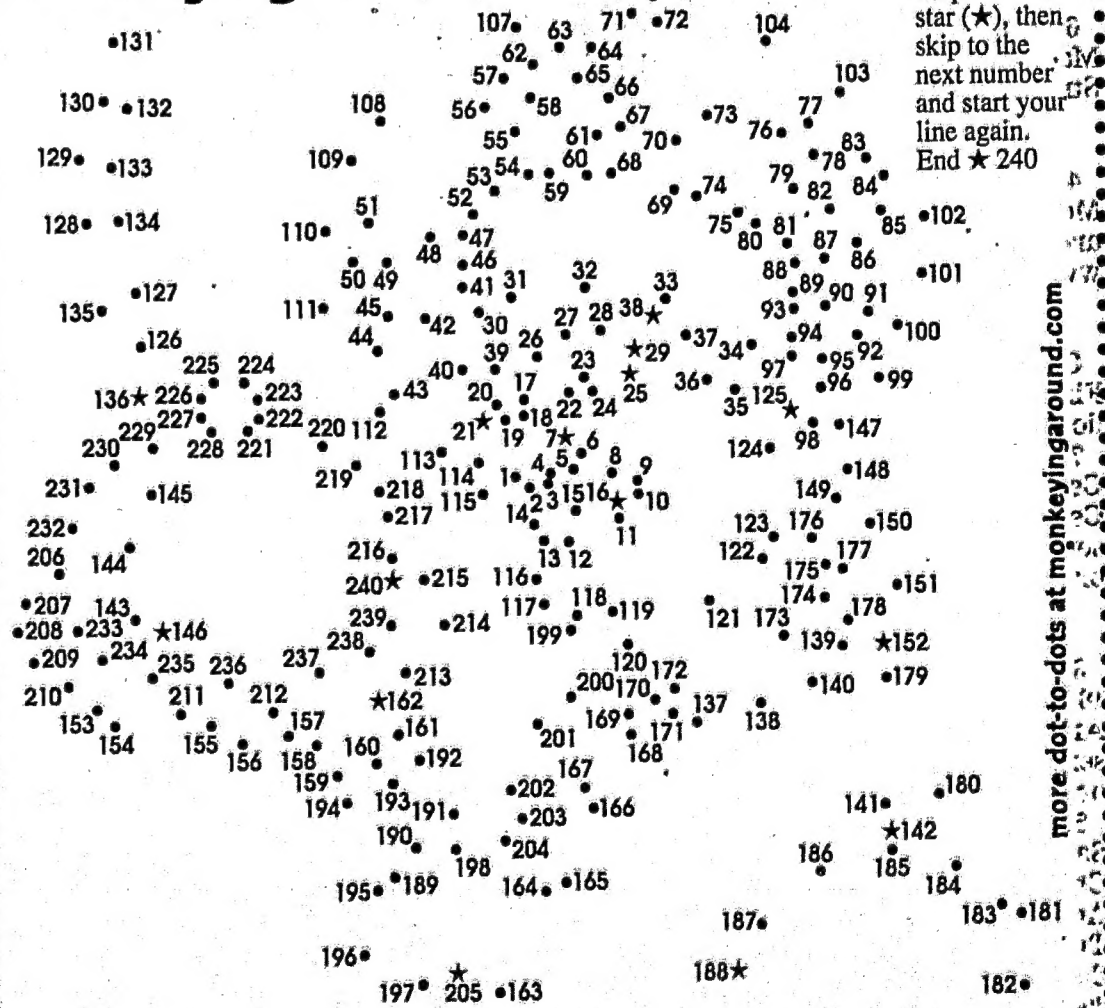
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- 1 Pinza or Challapin
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 - 22 Connecticut senator
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 - 28 Villainous
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 - 31 "Nightmare" street
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 - 46 Watchband
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 - 74 "Eyes" ("79 hit)
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 - 97 Tragic fate
 - 100 They squeak for themselves
 - 101 Vito center
 - 102 Crucifix
 - 105 Photo book
 - 107 Trams
 - 108 Subordinate
 - 110 Football's
 - 112 Architect, for instance
 - 114 "The Descent of Man" author
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 - 123 Sneaks
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 - 133 1974 Tony-winning actress
 - 137 "Killer Tomatoes"
 - 138 Fiddled (with)
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 - 141 Like the kitchen sink
 - 142 Risked a ticket
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 - 1 Big name in Baroque
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 - 3 Amitsar attire
 - 4 Miss Muffet's nemesis
 - 5 Word with cheese or roast
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 - 10 Confuse
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 - 12 Wheel
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 - 14 Puniest
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 - 20 Bathed in butter
 - 23 Corn holders
 - 24 Actress
 - 29 Joyce
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 - 32 Swimmer
 - 34 Multi-purpose vehicle
 - 35 Lamebrain
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 - 39 Around the corner
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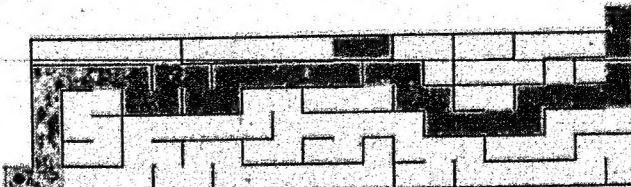
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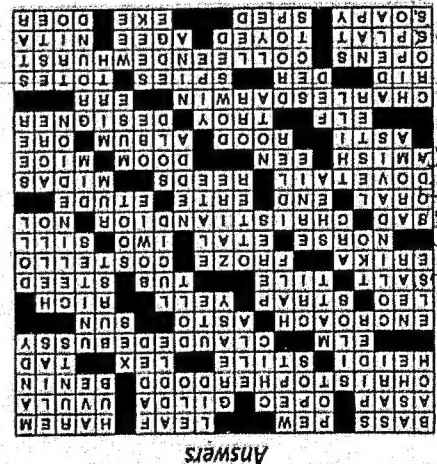
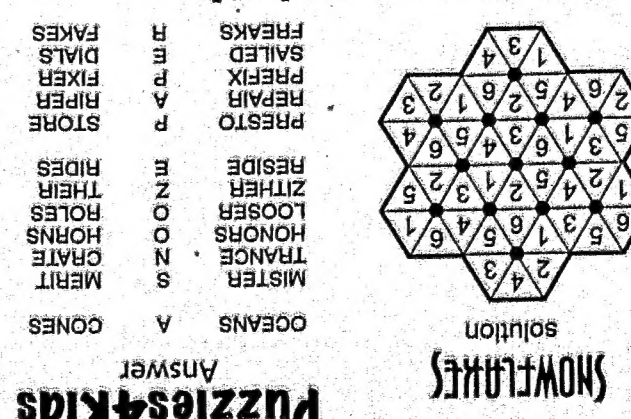


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Kids' Maze Solution



Super Crossword

Today's Word: Rambo

Scramblers: 2. Ambie, 3. Molve, 4. Repair.

Answers:

SNOWFLAKES solution

Answers:

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Sports

High School Girls' J.V. Basketball

Lisbon 49, Telstar 30; Jan. 23- The Rebels came out ready to play and hung with the Greyhounds for the first half of the game down only 15 to 14. The third period proved to be the game difference as the Rebels struggled to stop the inside penetration and second efforts of the taller Greyhounds. The Rebels were led by Savanna Pelletier with 8, Maisey Griffin with 6, Alyssa Blands and Annie Cushman with 5 each, 4 from Jessie Kelly and a basket for Dora Pilgrim-Guay. - Coach Mark Kenney

High School Alpine Skiing

Giant Slalom at Sunday River, Jan. 23- The boys had another good showing. They were led by Josh Head's 4th place finish. Greg Wheeler turned in his best finish of the year placing 8th. Tyler James also finished in the top 10 with Aaron Speakman right behind in 12th. The girls were once again led by Rachel Wheeler, placing 5th. The team travels to Black Mt. this Friday for a 5 p.m. start. - Coach John Eliot

Giant Slalom at Sunday River, Jan. 19- Telstar's Rachel Wheeler led the girls with a 3rd place finish. Gabrielle Stone came in 17th with Aislinn Forbes right behind her in 18th, and Anna Tyrina in 19th. On the boys side, Josh Head led the team by placing 5th. Nick Johnson was 9th, Tyler James 11th, and Greg Wheeler 13th. "The guys skied well as a team coming in 2nd place. I was disappointed that Cody Boivin fell, but fortunately he didn't get hurt." - Coach John Eliot

TMS Boys' Varsity Basketball

Telstar 42, Buckfield 15; Jan. 21- Telstar's Cameron Pike led the team with 12 points, while Avery Griffin and Jarrett Bean tossed in 6 points each. Overall each player is working hard to improve. Coach Tim O'Connor

Spruce Mt. 70, Telstar 44; Jan. 18- Telstar lost to a much stronger Spruce Mt. team. Telstar's Cameron Pike led the team with 28 points, Avery Griffin added 7 and Matthew Bennett had

6. -Coach Tim O'Connor

TMS Girls' Varsity Basketball

Telstar 25, Buckfield 19; Jan. 20- Scorers for Telstar were Tori Ryerson 6 points, Becca Howard 5, Olivia York 5, Hayley Peterson 5, Lisa Gammon 2, Blair Stevens 2. -Coach Linda Cozzolino

Spruce Mt. 55, Telstar 12; Jan. 18- Scorers for Telstar were Becca Howard 6 points, Hayley Peterson 6. -Coach Linda Cozzolino

Carrabec 44, Telstar 25; Jan. 11- Scorers for Telstar were Becca Howard 13 points, Olivia York 6, Hayley Peterson 5, Tori Ryerson 4. -Coach Linda Cozzolino

TMS Girls' J.V. Basketball

Spruce Mt. 40, Telstar 20; Jan. 18- Scorers for Telstar were Natasha Hart 6 points, Caitlin Haines 4, Jay-Nay Learned 4, Tehya Johnson 2, Maddie Prentice 2, Maria Rodriguez 2. -Coach Linda Cozzolino

TMS Cross-country Skiing

Black Mountain freestyle race, Jan. 18- Six teams competed in the boys venue, four teams in the girls. The Telstar boys nordic team skied very well, winning the meet and outcompeting FAST, Trip, Spruce Mtn., Dirigo, and Oxford Hills. The girls team captured second place, beating Spruce and Dirigo, while losing to FAST. The individual results of each of the races are as follows:

Girls: Carla Boyle-Wight 4th/13:28; Livy Clarke 5th/15:34; Marta Opie 6th/15:47; Ani Inman 14th/17:48; Mia Shiffrins 26th/21:49. Boys: Caleb Clarke skiing for Gould 1st/9:09; Andrew Siegel 2nd/9:46; Marcus Wentworth 3rd/10:34; Brendon Sterns 4th/11:30; Schuyler Leff 10th/12:54; Donny Seib 15th/ 13:36; Sam Weafer 28th/15:54; Galean Boyle-Wight 31st/16:40; Ben Alford 41st/19:31. - Coach Steve Keane

Mt. Valley League basketball

Laid Back Installers (5-1) outlasted and gave Mt. Abram (5-1) their first loss of the season, 66-62, to create a stalemate for first place in the Mountain Valley Rec Basketball League. LBI used a strong running game, a tight defense and balanced scoring. They had 4 players in double figures, Eric Canwell, 17 points, Scot New 15, Brian Canwell 14 and Owen Jones, 11.

Mt. Abram got another big game from Tyler Wentworth; 33 points, while Matt Newell finished with 12. The Bethel Bobcats (4-2) kept pace and remain in third place with a convincing win over J & G Ballers, 99-71.

Bethel got a huge game from Sean Caddigan with 37 points, 5 from long range. Matt Zetts had 27 more, Ryan Kimball 13 and Ryan Savage 13. J & G, now 1-5, got 17 points from Glen Dubois, 15 each from Jamie Downs and Myles Whitlock, while Joe Goudreau had 13.

Sunday Jan. 28 will be the start of the second half of the season. In the 11:30 tilt, Mt. Abram and Bethel Bobcats do battle. The finale at 1 p.m. sees J&G Ballers host Jay.

THS basketball fundraiser

Telstar High School basketball teams are planning a Shoot-a-Thon Feb. 4 to raise funds for themselves and for local charities. The event will take place at the school gym beginning at 10 a.m.

The players are asked to get donations and pledges in sponsorship of shooting 100 foul shots. Fifty percent of the proceeds will be donated by each team to a local charity, the other 50 percent will go toward purchasing new warm-ups, paying for team functions, equipment, and funds toward Summer Team Camp.

Donations may be made per shot or as a single donation.

Checks may be made out to THS Boys Basketball or THS Girls Basketball and may make donations per player at their choice, or sponsor a set amount per shot. Sponsorships will be collected after the day of the shooting.

Online donations can be made at Fundraiser.com.

Volunteers for rebounding, counting, or support are also welcomed.

Each player is asked to set a personal goal of raising at least \$50.

Coach Sean Caddigan is the contact at 860-992-5275.

Community Calendar

Clothing Exchange, Bethel Park, 23 Mason Street, Bethel. Hours: Monday 1 to 4, Thursday 4 to 6, Saturday, 10 to 12 a.m. Donations of gently-used clothing only accepted during open hours. No exceptions.

Food Pantry, Nazarene Church, Park Street, Bethel. By appointment only (824-0349).

Third Wednesday each month

Women's Imaging Center, Stephens Memorial Hospital, Norway, professional prosthetic and bra fittings for women. FMI/appointment: 743-5993 Ext 6851. Insurances accepted and low-cost help available.

Sundays thru March 4

2:30 to 4:30 p.m. - Public Skating at Hebron Academy Robinson Arena rink. Cost: \$3 Adults/\$2 age 12 and under. Parking available in Athletic Center lot off Route 119. FMI: 966-2100 or visit www.hebronacademy.org

Thursdays starting Jan. 26

5:30 to 9 p.m. - Master Gardener Course, University of Maine Cooperative Extension, 9 Olson Road, South Paris. Focus on fruit and vegetable production, composting, season extension, botany, soil science and pest management. Class size limited. FMI/application: (800) 287-1482 or 743-6329 (office), e-mail barbara.murphy@umaine.edu.

Thursday, Jan. 26

6:15 p.m. - Special Masonic Supper/Meeting for Master Mason Degree at Bethel Masonic Hall, Chapman Street. Meeting 7 p.m.

Thursdays, Jan. 26, Feb. 2, 9, 16, March 1

4 to 9 p.m. - Free Ski/Snowboarding Nights at Black Mountain of Maine, Rumford. Sign in at base lodge on arrival. Free tubing selected nights. FMI: 864-3977 or visit www.SkiBlackMountain.org.

Friday, Jan. 27

Open Mic Night, with new host Davy Sturtevant at First Universalist Church, 479 Main Street, Norway. \$3 donation at door. Refreshments available. Fmi: 743-2828.
7:30 p.m. - Leura Hill Eastman Performing Arts Center, 18 Bradley Street, Fryeburg Academy, presents Celtic Fiddler Hanneke Cassel. Tickets: \$20 adults/\$15 seniors available online www.fryeburgacademy.org/pac or Box Office (935-9232).

Saturday, Jan. 28

3 p.m. - Leura Hill Eastman Performing Arts Center, 18 Bradley Street, Fryeburg Academy, presents Pianist Artem Belogurov Tickets: \$10 adults/\$5 students and seniors available online www.fryeburgacademy.org/pac or Box Office (935-9232).
5 to 7 p.m. - All You Can Eat Pasta Dinner, Holy Savior Catholic School in Saint Anthanasious-Saint John Church Hall, 126 Maine Avenue, Rumford. All welcome. Adults \$8/children 4 to 12 years \$5/ 3 and under free. Tickets available at door or advance at Holy Savior School, Davis Florist, Hair Design, Oxford Lanes, FMI: 364-2528.
7 to 10 p.m. - Singer Song Writer Series, Shauna Underwood and Roy Davis at Mill Hill Inn, 24 Mill Hill Road, Bethel. FMI: 824-3241.

7 to 10 p.m. - Jones Dance Band at South Paris Legion Hall, Church Street. Tickets: \$5.

Sunday, Jan. 29

New England Cross-Country Ski Day at The Bethel Inn for first-timers to seasoned masters. Top-notch instruction, wax demos, prize drawing, lunch. For women 13 and up. Cost: \$25 for NENSA members, \$30 NENSA non-members. FMI/Register: www.nensa.net/reg/index.php?io_view=event.view_enent&event_id=1159.

Jan. 29 and March 25

Community Ski Days for SAD 44 residents, Sunday River Ski Resort. Ski and rent equipment free. Also, participate for free in Adult Learn to Ski/Ride Clinics (ages 15-plus). Preregistration required. 50 percent discount on food and beverages.

Tuesday, Jan. 31

7 p.m. - Mollycokett Chorus Guest Night at Church of Latter Day Saints, Skeetfield Road, Oxford, held to encourage women who like to sing to visit.

7 p.m. - El-Fadel Arbab, Fur Cultural Revival (FCR), Portland, Maine, will share his experiences as a survivor of the continuing genocide in Darfur and his eventual immigration to the U.S. at Bingham Trustees Auditorium, McLaughlin Science Center, Gould Academy, sponsored by Gould Reach Out. FMI: Tucker Kimball, Director of Communications (824-7778).

Holy Savior School Open House, 115 Maine Avenue, Rumford. Classrooms open 1 to 2:30 and school and teachers 6 to 7:30 p.m. If new or inquiring student call 364-2528.

Wednesday, Feb. 1

6:30 p.m. - Andover Community meeting, scheduled by U.S. Postal Service regarding study for closure of East Andover Post Office, Andover Town Hall. Open to public. (Rescheduled)

7 p.m. - Snow Valley Sno-Goers Snowmobile Club meeting at club house, off Route 5, Andover. All persons interested in snowmobiling cordially invited.

Wednesdays, Feb. 1 thru March 21

9 to 10 a.m. - Stretch, Strength, and Balance at Personal Best Health Club, 141 Western Avenue, South Paris. Cost: \$40/person, scholarships available. Registration required. FMI/register: (866) 609-5183.

Thursday, Feb. 2

6 p.m. - Meet the Candidates Old Fashioned Beef Stew Supper sponsored by Oxford County Democrats at Rumford Eagles Hall. Social time 5:30. Tickets: \$10 door with seniors and students \$8. RSVP (for planning purposes) 364-7666 or 875-2116

6 to 9 p.m. - 2nd Annual All You Can Eat Pizza Night at Matterhorn, Sunday River Road, Newry. Tickets: \$15 p/p may be purchased from Rotary Club member or at door. Proceeds benefit Rotary's Scholarship Fund given in honor of Rocky Freda.

February 3 thru 15

Wooden snowshoe exhibit, Fare Share Gallery, Norway. Exhibit opens Friday, Feb. 3, 5 to 7 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 3

7 p.m. - Leura Hill Eastman Performing Arts Center, 18 Bradley Street, Fryeburg Academy, presents children's singer Rick Charette. Tickets: \$10 adults/\$5 children available online www.fryeburgacademy.org/pac or Box Office (935-9232).

Saturday, Feb. 4

10 a.m. - Shoot-a-Thon by Telstar High School basketball teams to raise funds for themselves and local charities (50 percent each) at school gym. Players asked to get donations and pledges in sponsorship of shooting 100 foul shots, per shot or single donation; sponsorships collected day after shooting. FMI: Coach Sean Caddigan 860-992-5275.

Chinese Auction, Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School Cafeteria. Doors open 11 a.m., Auction begins 1 p.m. 50/50 raffle/\$1 table. Tickets \$1 each/8 for \$5. Lunch, snacks available. FMI/donations: call Nancy Henerseon (674-3060. Items may be left at OHCHS. Storm date Feb. 5.

6:30 p.m. - Leura Hill Eastman Performing Arts Center, 18 Bradley Street, Fryeburg Academy, will

show Northern New England Fly Fishing Film Tour 2012 hosted by Tin Mountain Conservation Center. Tickets: \$12 adults in advance and for students and \$15 at door. Available online www.fryeburgacademy.org/pac or Box Office (935-9232).

Sundays in February

Free skiing at Mt. Abram for Greenwood school age residents on Sundays starting the first Sunday in February. Program will include lessons and equipment if needed. Sign-up at the Greenwood Town Office. Sign-ups are limited and are on a first come, first serve basis.

Sunday, Feb. 5

12:30 to 2 p.m. - Hope Association 37th Snowmobile Ride in memory of Donald Hebert, former president of Poodunck Snowmobile Club. Raffle tickets \$1 for one/\$5 for six. Donations accepted. Where: Horizons Unlimited, 319 Swain Road, Rumford. Prizes drawn 1:30 p.m. Hot buffet dinner. FMI: 864-4561 or visit www.hopeassociation.org.

Monday, Feb. 6 and Feb. 22

5:30 to 7 p.m. - Maine Uniform Building Codes, Energy Code and Radon Code contractor question/answer meetings with Town Code Enforcement Officer. Monday, Feb. 6, Woodstock Town Office and Wednesday, Feb. 22, at Norway Town Office. All residents encouraged to attend. FMI: e-mail ceojoe@hotmail.com

Tuesday, Feb. 7

7 p.m. - Book Reading by Brian Walker, Gould Class of 1983, former Gould faculty member, and author of "Black Boy White School" at Gould Academy's McLaughlin Science Center Trustees Auditorium. Free and open to the public. Copies of the book will be available.

Wednesday, Feb. 8

10 to 11:30 a.m. - Snowshoeing, Carters X-C Center, 420 Main Street/Route 26, Oxford, sponsored by MaineHealth Learning Resource Center, Stephens Memorial Hospital. Cost: \$10 includes snowshoes, poles, guided walk on trails; scholarships available. FMI/register: (866) 609-5183.

11 a.m. - Bethel Senior Citizens Club potluck dinner/meeting at West Parish Congregational Church, Church Street. Donation of \$3 requested.

Thursday, Feb. 9

2 p.m. - Whitman Memorial Library (rescheduled from Jan. 12) presents Dr. Fred Jordan, with a somewhat whimsical look at forensic pathology over the years and discuss Maine medical examiners' system then and now, mass disaster planning, and story of Maine boy who moved West. Public invited. No charge. Light refreshments. Snow date Feb. 16.

4:30 to 6 p.m. - WMSC To Your Health program presents Dr. Daniel E. vanBuren, Cardiologist, Medical Director New England Heart Institute, Androscoggin Valley Hospital, Berlin, N.H., to speak on "Caring for Your Heart - Heart Disease, Prevention, Symptoms, Treatment Options and New Developments, at West Parish Congregational Church, Bethel. Free. Public invited. FMI: Rosabelle Tift (824-2053).

Saturday, Feb 11

Second Annual Mellie Dunham Shoe and String Festival, Norway. FMI: call Lee at Western Foothills Land Trust (739-2124).

2 p.m. - Rick Charette in Concert, Oxford Hills High School auditorium to benefit Responsible Pet Care Animal Shelter of Oxford Hills. Tickets: all seats \$6/10 people or more \$5. Reserved seating available. Tickets available at door or Books N Things, Norway.

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Bethel Library:
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Story Hour Thursdays, 9 to
10 a.m., October to May. Tel:
824-2520.

**Whitman Memorial
Library, Bryant Pond: Tel:**
665-2505. Tuesday and Thurs-
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West Paris Library,
West Paris: Monday 1:30-6;
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1:30-6; Saturday 10-2.
Patty Makley, Librarian.
Tel: 674-2004

**Gardner Roberts
Memorial Library,**
Hanover: Wednesday, 9-3;
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Church Services

ALBANY

Congregational Church - Hunts Corner, 9:30 a.m. Sunday worship and Sunday School at 10 a.m.; Pastor Eddie Gammon. Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Thursdays at the home of Fernand Coriveau.

ANDOVER

First Congregational Church - Rev. Jane Rich. Sunday morning worship 10 to 11 a.m. followed by brunch. All welcome. FMI - 392-3761.
Calvary Bible Church - Pastor Ken Wagstaff. Morning worship 10:45 - noon. Wednesday prayer meeting, 6:30 p.m. Rt. 5, South Andover. 392-1121.

BETHEL

Bethel Alliance Church - Rev. Kevin Bellinger, Pastor. Sundays: Sunday school for adults and children at 9 a.m.; Worship Service at 10 a.m.; Kidz Klub (4 yrs.-5th grade) and High School Youth Group (9th-12th grade) at 4:30-6:30 p.m. Thursdays: Middle School Youth Group (6th-8th grade) at 5 p.m. FMI: 824-2289.

Bethel Church of the Nazarene - Rev. Chuck Mason, 16 Church Street, Bethel. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. A.M. Worship, 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Bible Study and Prayer, 6 p.m. Third Sunday of each month at 9 a.m., breakfast open to the public at no charge. For information or if you need a ride or have a prayer request: 824-4028.

Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Savior, Our Lady of the Snows - 265 Walkers Mills Road (Rt. 26), The Rev. Philip Tracy. Saturday Mass, 6 p.m. Office 364-4556, announcements 824-2933.

Episcopal House Church - Third Sunday of the month, 4 p.m. FMI: 824-3932.

West Parish Congregational Church - Church Street, Rev. Virginia Rickeman, Pastor.

Sundays: 10 a.m. worship and Sunday School. Nursery and child care provided. Tuesdays: 8 a.m., Informal Prayer Group with coffee in the Chapel. All are welcome. First Wednesday of the month: 8 a.m., Mens' Breakfast in the Dining Room downstairs. Entrance in rear of church. Thursdays: 7 p.m. Choir Practice in the Sanctuary. New voices welcome. FMI: 824-2689; 824-0550.

United Methodist - Main Street - Pastor Carol Stevens. Sunday worship 9 a.m. Bible Study 1:30 p.m. on Wednesdays at Sudbury Village, Apt. 15. FMI: 824-0797.
West Bethel Union - Rev. John Williams. Morning worship and 9 a.m. Sunday School. FMI: 836-3533 or 836-2882.

Pleasant Valley Bible Sunday Services: Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Worship Service, 10 a.m. Ladies Bible study Tuesday, 2:30 p.m. Midweek Bible study and prayer, Wednesday 6 p.m. Awana Club Fridays 3:30-5 p.m. (Cubbies ages 3/4; Sparks Grades K-2; children may take bus from school). Monthly Youth Group meetings and Grades 3- high school. FMI: 824-2037 or 836-3763.

Church of Christ - at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mills Road (Route 26), Bethel. Sunday: Bible class, 9 a.m.; Worship Service 10 a.m. Wednesday: Bible study, 7 p.m. FMI: 824-3577.

Seventh Day Adventist Fellowship: Meets at the Nazarene Church on Saturdays, on Church Street in Bethel. Sabbath School 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m. FMI: 824-8939.

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EAST STONEHAM

Oxford County United Parish Churches in Stoneham and North Waterford - Services at 10 a.m. at the North Waterford Congregational Church (UCC), located on the Five Kezars Road, off Routes 35 & 37, opposite Melby's Market. Services held at North Waterford through the winter months. Choir practice 9 a.m., followed by Bible Study at 9:15 a.m.

LOCKE MILLS

Locke Mills Union - Pastor Sondra Withey. Sunday morning service will begin at 9 a.m. Bible study at the church is every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

NORWAY/PARIS

First Church of Christ, Scientist - Sunday service 10 a.m., Wed. Testimony service 7:30 p.m. 5 Morrill Rd./Rt. 118 (catercorner to Norway Country Club), Norway. Call 824.4099 FMI or ride.

Trinity Lutheran Church - Route 117, S. Paris. Pastors Kim Marie and Tom Myhre. Sunday School at 9 a.m.; Sunday morning service 10:15 a.m. with coffee, refreshments and good fellowship. Bible Study, Wednesdays 7 p.m.

North Paris Federation - Morse Hill Road, North Paris. Sunday Service 8 a.m. Pastor Bruce Tyner. 874-2968. Singers perform third Sunday each month alternating with West Paris Baptist Church at 7 p.m.

Oxford Hills Friends (Quakers) - Sunday worship 9:30 a.m. at HOPE Ripley Center, High Street, S. Paris across the park from the Post Office. Call Ursula Brandon at 665-2880 or Sue Reilly at 966-2012 for more information.

Christ Episcopal Church - 35 Paris St., Norway. Sunday services: 8 a.m. and 10 a.m., Holy Eucharist. 743-6782; e-

mail christch@megalink.net.

First Baptist Church of Paris - On the Common at the top of Paris Hill. 10:30 am worship service. Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Coffee hour follows the service. Fellowship lunch held the first Sunday of each month following worship. Pastor Ron Blake.

St. Catherine's - Saturday 6 p.m. Vigile Mass; Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass.

Unitarian Universalist Church of Norway - 11am worship. (Sept - June) Child care is provided. Religious education classes 11 a.m.-12:15 p.m. FMI 743-2828.

GORHAM, N.H.

Assembly of God - Pastor Paul Levigen. Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday service 10:30 a.m., Sunday evening service 7 p.m., Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.. FMI 603-466-2851.

Gorham Congregational Church - Sunday morning worship, 10 a.m. All welcome; free coffee. Communion is celebrated the first Sunday of each month. FMI 603-466-2136.

OXFORD

St. Mary's - Saturday 4 p.m. Vigile Mass.

Our Lady of Ransom - Sunday 10:30 a.m. Mass.

RUMFORD

St. Barnabus Episcopal Church - Holy Communion, 9:30 a.m. Rev. Tim Parsons, Priest-in-charge. Special holidays will be announced. Stone church at the rotary.

Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Savior, St. Athanasius and St. John - 125 Main Ave.. The Rev. Philip Tracy. Saturday Mass, 4 p.m.; Sunday Mass, 9:30 a.m.; Weekday Mass, 8 a.m. Office 364-4556.

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RUMFORD POINT

Rumford Point Church - Sunday service, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Sondra Withey.

SUMNER

East Sumner Congregational - Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday service, 9 a.m.

WEST PARIS

First Universalist Church - Sunday services, 9 a.m., Sept. to June.

West Paris Baptist - 15 Church St. Sunday Worship 9:45 a.m.; Sunday School 11 a.m.; Word of Life Youth - 6 p.m.; Word of Life Olympians (kids club) - 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study - 7 p.m.; Ladies' ministry, food pantry, third Saturday of month. Pastor

Scott Randolph, 376-6854.
Mission Congregational Church - Wallace Farnum, pastor. Sunday Worship 8:30 a.m.

WOODSTOCK

Bryant Pond Baptist - Pastor Matt Jones, Sundays: Sunday School 9:15 a.m.; Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.; Evening Service 6 p.m.; Wednesdays: Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Woodstock Seventh day Adventist - Pastor Greg Carlson (207-527-2551), Saturday: 9:20 a.m. Sabbath school. 11 a.m. worship service.

Pinkhook Meeting House (Rt. 232, North Woodstock) - Hymn Sing, last Friday of each month, 7 p.m. All welcome.

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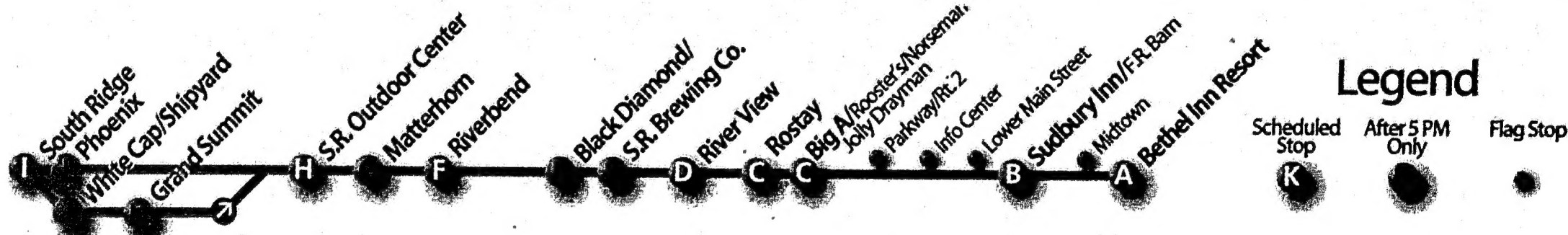
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6:30	6:32	6:38	6:42	—	6:45	—	6:48	6:55	—	—
6:55	6:57	7:03	7:07	—	7:10	—	7:13	7:20	—	—
7:25	7:27	7:33	7:37	—	7:40	—	7:43	7:50	—	—
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8:20	8:22	8:28	8:32	—	8:35	—	8:38	8:45	—	—
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10:30	10:32	D	10:42	10:43	D	10:48	10:50	10:55	11:00	11:05
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Sunday River to Bethel										
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PURSUANT TO 14 M.R.S.A. SECTION 6321 ET SEQ.

RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT
Use Period IV, Unit 233 at Jordan Grand at Sunday River,
Newry, Maine

(Mortgage recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds,
Book 3619, Page 46)

By virtue of and in execution of a Judgment of Foreclosure and Order of Sale dated September 20, 2011 and entered on the docket in the Oxford County Superior Court on September 20, 2011 in an action captioned Northeast Bank v. HJH Corporation, d/b/a The Trolley House, Thomas H. Hills and Judith L. Hills, et al, Docket No. RE-11-28 for the foreclosure of a Mortgage and Security Agreement, dated November 2, 2004 and recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds in Book 3619, Page 46, (the "Mortgage"), said judgment having been entered and the statutory ninety (90) day redemption period having elapsed without redemption, notice is hereby given that there will be sold at a public sale of the premises described in the Mortgage, located at Use Period IV, Unit 233 at Jordan Grand at Sunday River, Newry, Maine (the "Property").

TERMS OF SALE: The Property will be sold at auction beginning at 10:00 a.m. on **February 21, 2012** at the offices of Lambert Coffin, 477 Congress Street, 14th Floor, Portland, Maine. All bidders will be required to deposit \$2,500.00 to bid in cash or certified U.S. funds made payable to Northeast Bank in order to register to bid (the "Deposit"). The Deposit shall be increased to ten percent (10%) of the purchase price within five calendar days after the conclusion of the auction, but such increased amount shall not be less than \$2,500.00. The Property shall be sold to the highest bidder, who must leave the Deposit as a non-refundable down payment. The highest bidder shall also be required to sign a Purchase and Sale Agreement calling for a closing within 45 days, at which time the balance of the bid price will be due. Immediately in available U.S. funds, and NEB, the foreclosing mortgagee, will deliver a duly executed Quitclaim Deed Without Covenant and Release Bill of Sale, if applicable, conveying the property. The Property shall be conveyed subject to all matters set forth in the Purchase and Sale Agreement and the additional terms of sale which will be available prior to the auction. Additional terms may also be announced at the time of the auction. NEB, the foreclosing mortgagee, and its assigns, reserve the right to bid without making the required deposit and, if NEB, or its assigns, is the high bidder, to pay for the Property with a credit against the debt owed to it.

For more information on the above-described Property containing the legal description, legal and bidding details, as well as possible site visits, contact Northeast Bank, Prudential Tower, 800 Boylston Street, Suite 1500, Boston, MA 02199 or visit http://www.lambertcoffin.com/foreclosure_sales.php.

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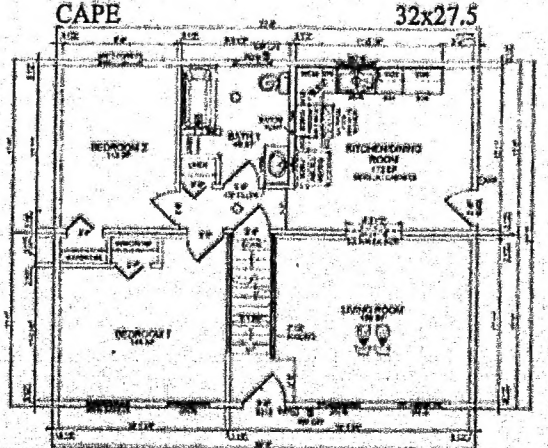
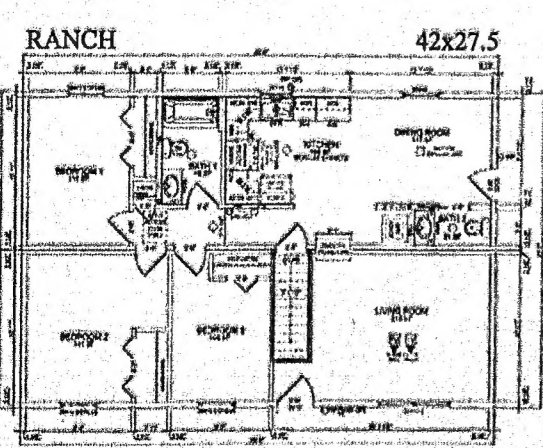
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Obituaries



PHYLLIS A. BANCROFT

Phyllis A. Bancroft, 85, of South Paris, formerly of Albany Township died Wednesday, Jan. 18, 2012 at the Maine Veterans' Home.

Phyllis was born in Bethel, Sept. 19, 1926, the daughter of Guy and Grace P. Clough Morrill. She graduated from Gould Academy in 1945. Phyllis had been employed at New England Telephone, B.E. Cole shoe shop, Francine Shoe, Newton & Tebbets Mill, Youngs Mill and Echo in Locke Mills. She retired from Norway Footwear.

Phyllis married Stanley L. Lapham, he died in 1951. She later married William Bancroft in 1955. Phyllis was a member of the West Parish Congregational Church in Bethel, an Alumnus of Gould Academy and a 25-year member of the Pleasant Valley Grange.

Survivors include a son, Richard Lapham of Galveston, Texas; a daughter, Judith Lapham Halle and her husband Paul of Lisbon Falls; granddaughter, Stephanie Halle Krolak and her husband Brian and their daughters, Abigail and Madison, all of Brunswick; grandson, Gregory Halle of Lisbon Falls and his daughter Sydney Halle of Augusta; sisters, Elizabeth Gilbert of Bethel and Alta Smith of Albany Township and her companion Duke Meserve; sisters-in-law, Muriel Lapham Kimball of South Paris, Agnes Lahti of Norway, Elizabeth "Buzzy" Lapham of Albany Township and Angeline McPheason of Dixfield; and many loving nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her parents, Guy and Grace Morrill; her first husband, Stanley L. Lapham; brothers-in-law, Howard Lapham, Walter Lapham, Warren Lapham, Earlon Keniston, Raymond Arsenault, George Gilbert, Bruce Smith, Lauris Millett and Guy Bancroft; sisters-in-law, Myrtle Keniston, Marion

Arsenault, Virginia Lapham, Alma Millett, Velma Thompson and Thelma Merrill; and her second husband, William O. Bancroft, Oct. 31, 2006.

The family wishes to thank Dr. Eshleman and his associates for their wonderful care and the staff at the Maine Veterans' Home for their care and compassion.

Online condolences may be shared with her family at www.chandlerfunerals.com.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Jan. 21, at the West Parish Congregational Church in Bethel. Interment will be in the spring at Pulpit Rock Cemetery in Waterford. In lieu of flowers, those wishing to donate may do so to the Activities Fund, c/o Pat Paar, Maine Veterans' Home, 477 High Street, South Paris, ME 04281.



D. GAYLE WEYMOUTH

D. Gayle Weymouth, 92, of Waterford, passed away Saturday, Jan. 21, 2012 at her residence.

She was born in Earl Park, Ind., on June 30, 1919 to William and Ivy (Sholaf) Confer.

She worked for many years at Norway Shoe as a stitcher. Gayle loved gardening, especially her flowers, spending time with her family, working and reading her Bible.

She is survived by her two sons, Greg and wife Nancy Weymouth of Norway, Wesley and wife Wanda Weymouth of Waterford; sister-in-law Arlene and Elmer "Sonny" Bean; grandchildren, Theresa Weymouth, Gene Weymouth, Tamara Bennett and Darren Weymouth 12 great-grandchildren, and eight great-great-grandchildren.

She was predeceased by her husband, Albert; sisters, Lola Medley and Fern McCusin; infant brother, Ellis Confer and grandchild, Wesley (Lee) A. Weymouth, Jr.

Family and friends are invited to attend funeral services on Thursday, Jan. 26, at 2 p.m. at Oxford Hills and Weston Funeral Services, 1037

Main Street, Route 26, Oxford, Maine. Interment will be held in the spring at Hillside Cemetery in Stoneham, time and date to be announced at a later date. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Stoneham Rescue, P.O. Box 42, East Stoneham, ME 04231. Online condolences may be expressed to the family at www.oxford-hillsfuneralservices.com

MAURICE E. YORK

Maurice Edward York Jr., 70, of Oxford, died Sunday, Jan. 22, 2012.

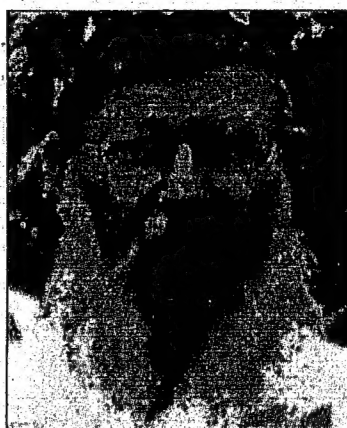
He was born Nov. 27, 1941, in Oxford to Maude (Pike) and Maurice York Sr. Jr. attended school in Oxford and remained on the homestead in Oxford all of his life; he enjoyed hunting, fishing, snowmobiling, camping, walking, picking berries and working in his garden.

He was always very proud of his potatoes, and a walk through the garden always took place when you stopped in to visit. Jr. worked at Penley Mills in West Paris, until poor health forced him to retire early. Ed and Nancy Young and Donnie Knight remained friends of his all his life; he was happy to receive a visit from his childhood friend, Ken Twitchell, last summer.

Jr. is survived by his siblings, Sharlene Stefani of Dixfield, Robert and wife June of Bethel, Raymond of Arizona, Priscilla Nickerson of Oxford, Carol of Oxford and Gloria Moore of Kentucky; cousins, George and his wife Helen McKay of Norway, Calvin and his wife Lois Libby of Gorham, Jean McKay of Naples, Marian (Libby) and her husband Hartley Alley of Brewer; and many nieces and nephews.

Jr. was predeceased by his parents, Maurice and Maude; and his sister, Ruth Alice (York) Davis.

Online condolences may be shared with his family at www.chandlerfunerals.com. Graveside services will be held in the spring at Webberbrook Cemetery, Oxford.



FRANK A. GIBSON, JR.

Frank Albert Gibson, Jr., 83, died on Jan. 25, 2012.

He was born March 3, 1928, in Bethel to Frank Gibson, Sr., and Thirza Gibson at their house at 55 Gibson Road. This is the house he grew up in and moved back into in 1968 and lived there until he died.

He joined the U.S. Marines in 1947 at the age of 19.

He married Clarice May (Allen) Gibson in Aug. 26, 1950, in Kansas City, Missouri. She predeceased him on April 10, 2008.

He worked as an oil burner technician at Whitman's Oil Company in Norway, J.P. Cullians in Norway, Luce Oil Company in Bethel, Benson's Coal and Oil Company in West Paris, Brooks Bros. Inc., in Bethel, where he was the manager, retiring in 1990.

He started Gibson's Orchard in 1968 and ran it until he died.

He was an avid hunter and was a member of the North Waterford Fish and Game Club in the late '50s and early '60s. He was a great poker player and would stop and drop most anything to go to a poker game.

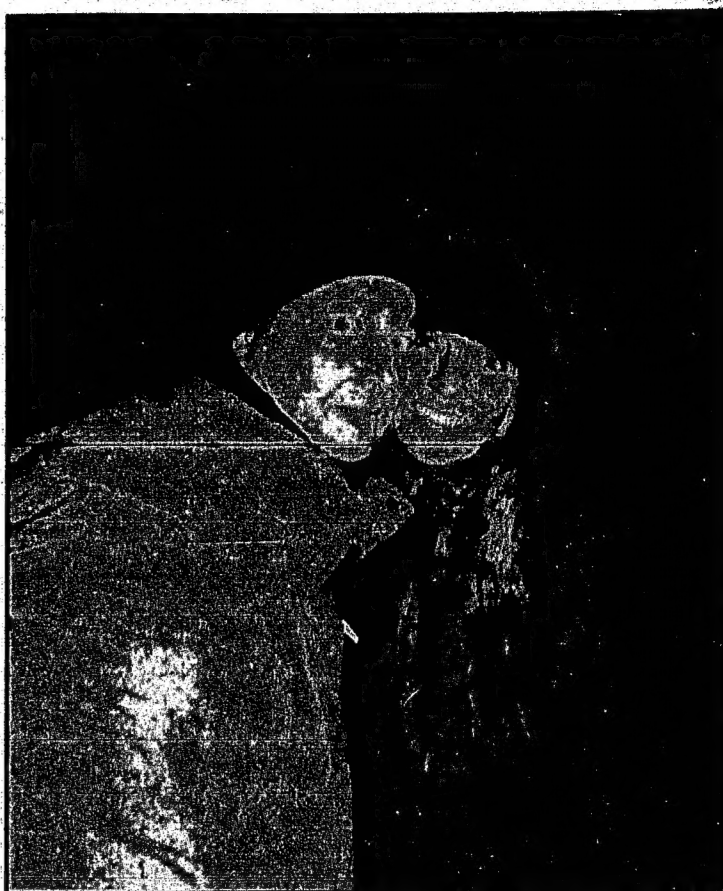
He was a past member of the North Waterford Oddfellows Club, a past member of the Bethel Lions Club, a member and a past president of the Mundt-Allen American Legion and a member-at-Large of the V.F.W.

He is survived by four sons, Frank A. Gibson, III, of Ledgewood Living Center in West Paris, George A. Gibson of Bethel, Wilfred A. and Deanna Gibson of Fort Worth, Texas, and Ira A. Gibson of Bethel; one daughter, Jamie A. Gibson and wife Marty of Bradford, Conn.; one grandson, James William Ira Gibson of Orono; five granddaughters, Theresa Gibson of Bethel, Heather Gibson of Pownal, Meagan Gibson of Portland, Kaitlynn of Salt Lake City, Utah, and Elizabeth Gibson of Bethel; two step-grandsons, Jeremy Clement, Jr., of Texas and Joseph and Noelle Clement, Jr.; two step-grandsons, Noah Clement of Texas and Cyrus Mills of Bethel; and one sister, Roberta Pevear of Exeter, N.H.

Donations can be sent to Mundt-Allen American Legion in his name.

A memorial service will be held at Chandler Funeral Home, Bethel, Friday, Jan. 27, at 1 p.m.

Engagements



Hvass — Andexler

Aashild Rosland Hvass of Kristiansand, Norway and Paul Leonard Andexler of Andover, Maine announced their engagement Dec. 8, 2011 at the Lindesnes Lighthouse in Norway.

They plan on being married on March 30, 2012 in Kristiansand, Norway where they will reside afterwards.

Births

Benjamin E. Foster and Christina A. Roberts of Poland, are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Tayla Lee Foster, born on Jan. 16, 2012 at Stephens Memorial Hospital, Norway, weighing 7 pounds, 12.6 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Karen Dedomenico of Portland and Andrew Roberts, Sr. of Westbrook.

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